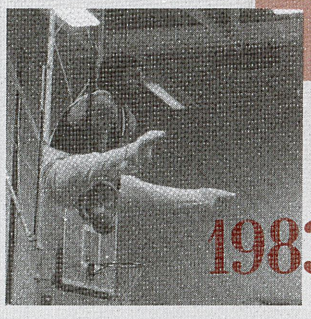

# WHAT we leave BEHIND

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# cover pictures

*Note from the Editors:* "Sophie and I had the task of going through every yearbook back to 1962 to find pictures for the cover. We wanted to provide the reader with some information on why we chose or liked each shot." - *Angela Tucker* (11)

**1964** - We wanted to include the oldest picture of a Cavalier that we could find.
**1966** - This shows a gym activity that we no longer do at the school.
**1970** - Students in gym class used to prove their strength by climbing the wall with pegs on a board.
**1973** - Can you believe that phones used to require this, and now they fit in our back pockets?
**1983** - Who knew that we used to have an extremely successful, winning gymnastics team?
**1988** - Almost every boy donned a mullet or at least tried. Mullets have resurged again recently.
**1993** - NWCTC gave students opportunities not found on campus. The welding program there has trained hundreds of Cavalier students over the years.
**1996** - For decades, the swim team has executed snow runs and then jumped back in the warm pool.
**2001** - Pride Club sponsored a car smash annually during Homecoming Week.
**2007** - Long, hot days of band camp have paid off countless times for the marching band.
**2012** - Carly Tansimore and her escort Anthony Palmiscno stood in utter shock when she won Homecoming Queen.
**2013** - Taylor Muffie sacrificed her body over the fence to catch the ball.
**2020** - Emily MacLean clears the bar in a meet against Franklin Regional.

The band and guard had a historical accomplishment. Exactly what happened?

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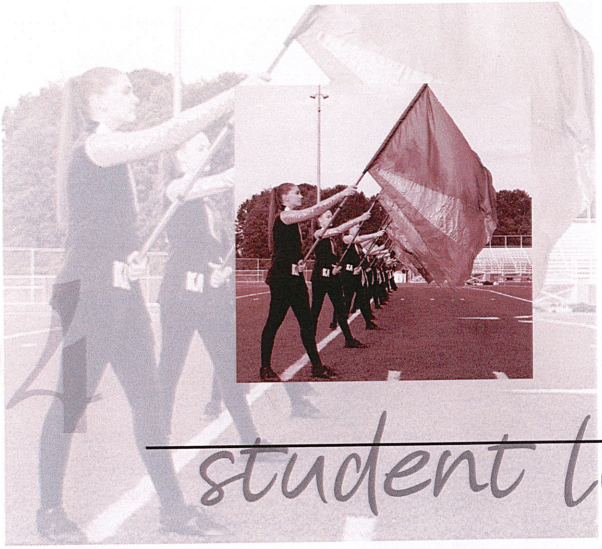

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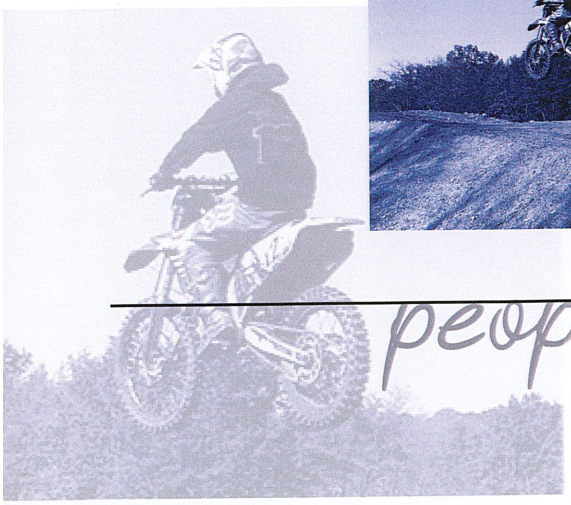

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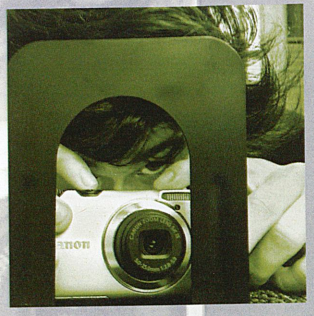

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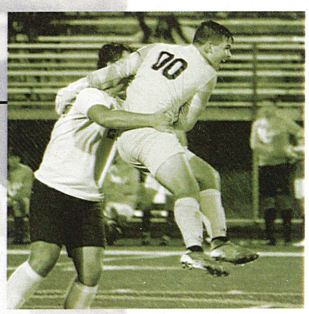

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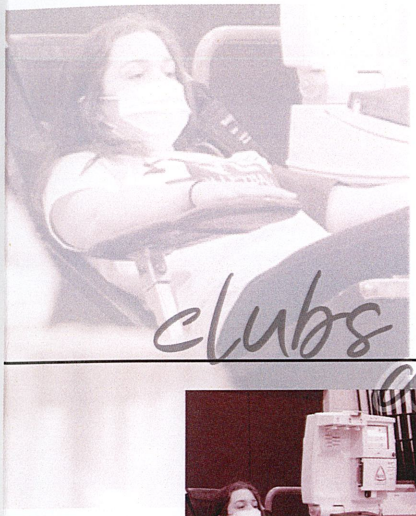

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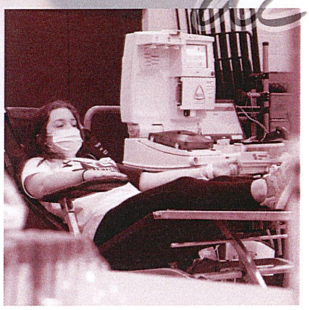

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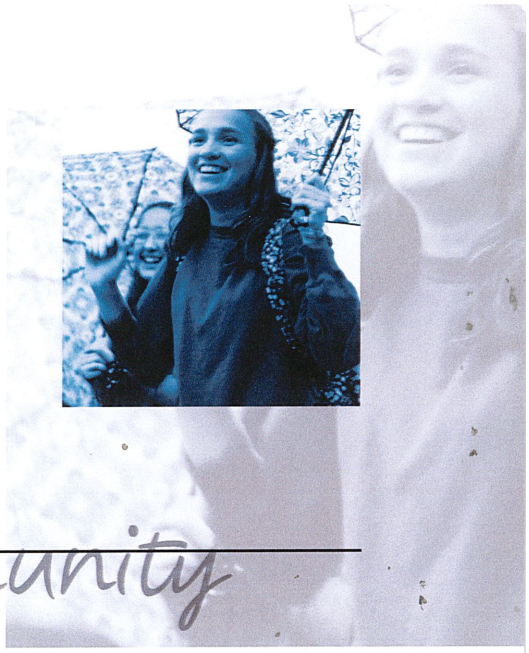
What makes Adalynn Jodon and Ambur Orowitz so happy in the rain?





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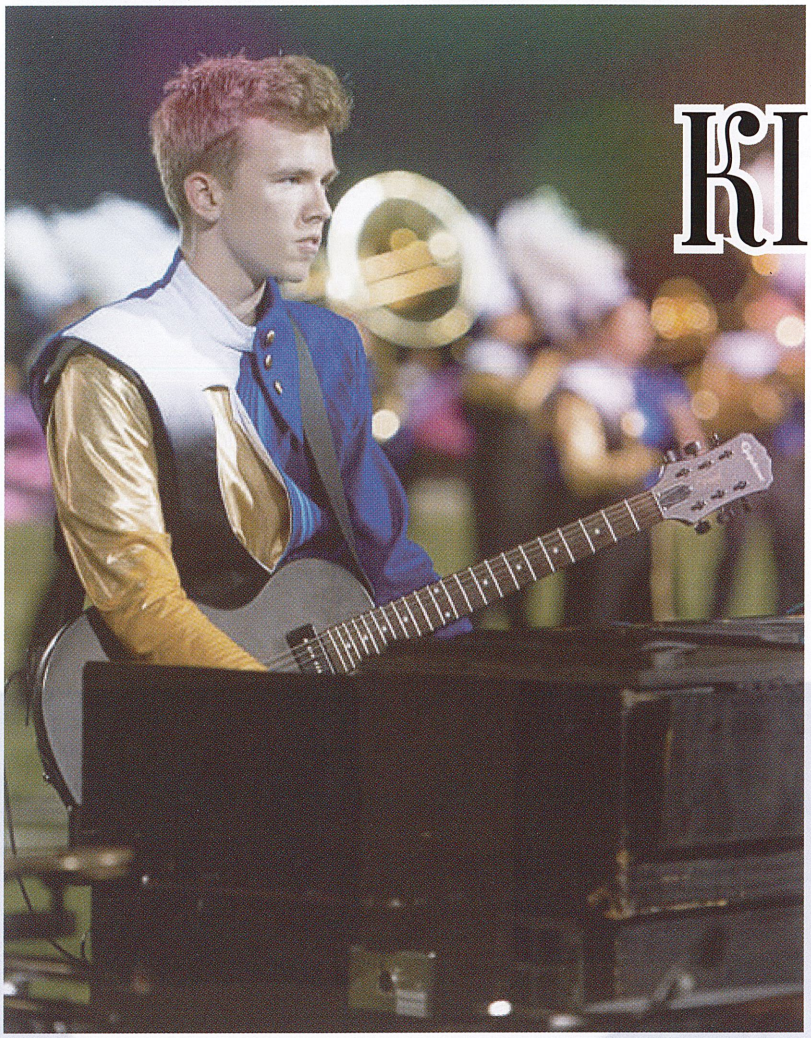

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*Guitar go-getter...*

Focused on his notes, Lucas Vrudney (12) listens to the rest of the band in order to stay in time. "My favorite memory from this year was the first time we played in practice for a competition. It was the first time we fully added the guitar to the show, and it was really nice to see everyone's reaction," Vrudney said. Getting his start on the guitar at the age of seven, Vrudney planned to continue playing whether as a career or simply a hobby.

12th - 283
11th - 297
10th - 258
9th - 274
Total - 1112

Faculty - 82

WHAT we leave BEHIND

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in what we leave behind

What makes Kiski the best high school to attend locally?

"I love how diverse our whole student body is. I'm very grateful for all the different friends that I've made going to the Big K."

*John Drahos* (12)

### Where there's a Will...

In the twilight of her cheerleading career, Karissa Will (12) reflects on her time with the squad. Will said, "In my three years of cheer, the moment that stands out the most is both of the times my fellow seniors and I walked down the field/court for our last time, just looking out seeing my families and classmates in the stands." Will further said that bus rides to away games and interactions with the student section also held special places in her heart.

### My father's daughter...

In a typical volleyball match, Abbie Johns (11) releases her pent-up emotion at the conclusion of a winning point. Johns said, "There's more dead time in volleyball to have reactions like this. However, I know I went nuts after we beat Fox Chapel in basketball because it was the first section win for us in four years." Johns credited her dad for her highly emotional and competitive nature.

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

Photo: *F. Rossi* (Frank Rossi Photography)

### Strumming a six-string...

On a fall day when Preston Fedoruk (11) has his guitar at school, he spends a good chunk of Lunch and Learn time playing his favorite tunes. Fedoruk said, "I have been working hard on getting good at playing *Everlong* by the Foo Fighters." Fedoruk enjoyed playing in front of people, especially in the library during L&L, because it allowed him to stay "hyper-focused on his strings."

Photo: *G. Wilferd* (11)

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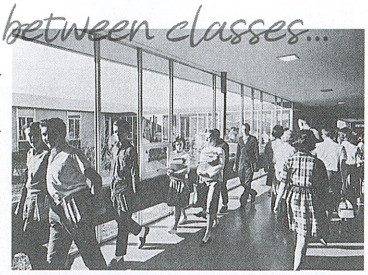
## stroll between classes...



Hallway between Room 106 and Lower Cafeteria

# 60 YEARS AGO

Copy taken from 1962 *Kiski Area Senior High School Facility Bruchure*

### Plans for the future...

The School Boards and the School Authority of the Kiski Area School System took justifiable pride in presenting the new Kiski Area Senior High School Building to their citizenry and in dedicating it to serve the educational needs of senior high school pupils. This structure represented cooperative efforts for the corporate good. It had resulted from many meetings and meeting of the minds on the part of many groups at the local and state level.

This plant stood on the optimum location to serve students of grades 10, 11, and 12 from the member districts of the jointure: Allegheny Township, Avonmore Borough, Bell Township, East Vandergrift Borough, Hyde Park Borough, Parks Township, and Vandergrift Borough. It consisted of seven buildings grouped about a central court.

# AT WE LEAVE *behind*

## A 60 year celebration of everything Cavalier

Story: *G. Kraus* (11)

Nestled in the rolling hills of northwestern Westmoreland County sat the Vandergrift Airport, soon reimagined into Kiski Area High School. On September 4th, 1962, the doors of Kiski Area opened for the first time. From seven separate buildings where students had to walk outside in rain or shine to seven scenic courtyards, from Davis Field to Richard J. Diltz Field, and from Vandergrift Airport to Kiski High School, what we leave behind had a huge impact on us and the generations to come.

Shannon Brown (12) left behind a legacy that will impact this school for the better.

"I founded SHOUT my junior year to help those who were being discriminated against and to work with the school to help minority students," Brown said.

Arguably the most prestigious music program in the state, the roots and focus on the arts started decades ago.

Choral teacher Mrs. McMeans said, "Finally, it seems that we're leaving behind this pandemic that turned our educational world upside-down. I'm so thankful that we can now have students return to the stage for concerts and *Shrek*, the spring musical."

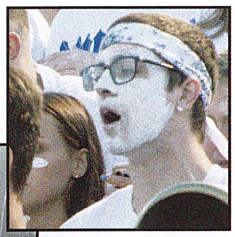
Since its debut, 21,622 students have walked the stage to graduate and move on to their lives' destinies. On May 27, 2022, the next 275+ will take their turn and move forward. Still, not without remembering *what they left behind.*

### SCHOOL SPIRIT

Who helped you paint up for the game versus Franklin Regional?

"At the cookout prior to the game, Mark Gray had his face fully painted. I asked him to do mine like his. It didn't take him too long."

*Ethan Connor* (12)



At the Homecoming Game versus Altoona, Tina Magness (2013 grad) shows her support for the home team. She painted up for both football games and wrestling matches.

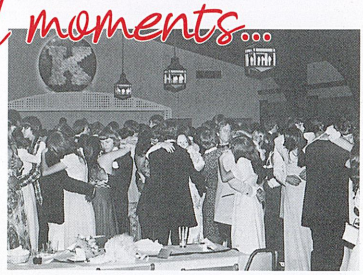
Photo: 2012 *Campus*, p. 1

Photo: *S. Smietana* (11)

## Many smiles in a row...

Just prior to the Homecoming Game against West Allegheny, the varsity, JV, and middle school cheering squads traveled together in block formation down to Dilts Field for the festivities to begin. Olivia Croney (12) said, "When we cheer, the goal is always to get everyone hyped up and happy for each event. The parades are a really fun way to do that." The home team won the game 7-0 in a defensive battle against the Indians.

# final moments...



## 48 YEARS AGO

### Stairway to heaven...

For over 50 years, excited juniors and seniors dressed up and traveled to the hill above Freeport to Laube Hall for prom. The class of 1974 chose *Stairway to Heaven* as their theme, reflecting the 1971 Led Zeppelin release of the song.

A once all-night affair, after the photographer took the formal pictures, the shoes came off as quickly as the ties. Students enjoyed unlimited refills of fruit punch, a bountiful buffet of food, and the musical sounds of DJ Buddy Lee.

As dawn neared, the pace in the room slowed down a bit, eyelids drooped, and worn-out bodies lay everywhere throughout the hall.

At 6AM, the climb had ended, and hundreds of disheveled celebrants headed home.

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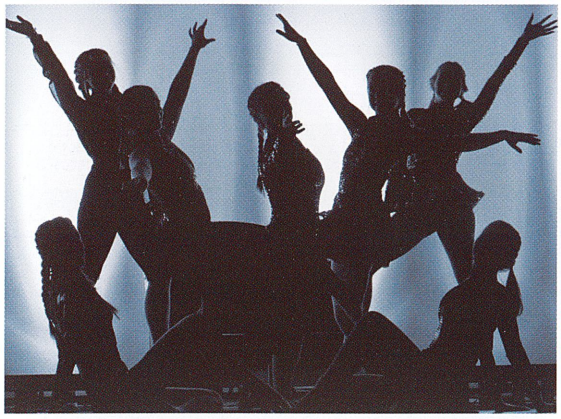

Photo: *V. McMullen* (2021 grad)

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## *Hit that final pose...*

Due to COVID restrictions placed on attending events, the music department held the first ever *Kiski Area Cavaret* instead of a traditional spring musical. Featured dancer Allison Zdobinski (11) said, "We had just finished a dance to a song from *The Greatest Showman*. Of the two dances that we performed, this one was definitely my favorite." The Cavaret showcased the talents of a dozen dancers throughout the show.

Photo: *G. Wilferd* (11)

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## *All the power in Bella's hands...*

While Bella Uskuraitis (12) monitors the actors in *Blithe Spirit*, she focuses on whose microphone she needs to turn on and whose microphone she needs to turn off. "I have to control all of the sound, including music, sound effects, fading in and out, and the microphones. Whoever is on stage must have their mic on, but once they go offstage, I must turn their's off," Uskuraitis said. She worked with the musicals and fall plays starting in her freshman year and worked her way up to Stage Crew Chief.

## *Face the music...*

Just before the band performed their *Beneath the Shifting Sands* show at the BOA Regional at the University of Maryland, members of the clarinet section gather for a traditional circle photo. "Before every show, we always have circle time to get hyped up. We wish each other good luck, and it helps to calm all of our nerves," Ambur Orowitz (10) said. Competing against 32 different regiments from all over the nation, the band scored two and a half points higher than everyone else and won the event with a score of 82.500.

# STUDENT *life*

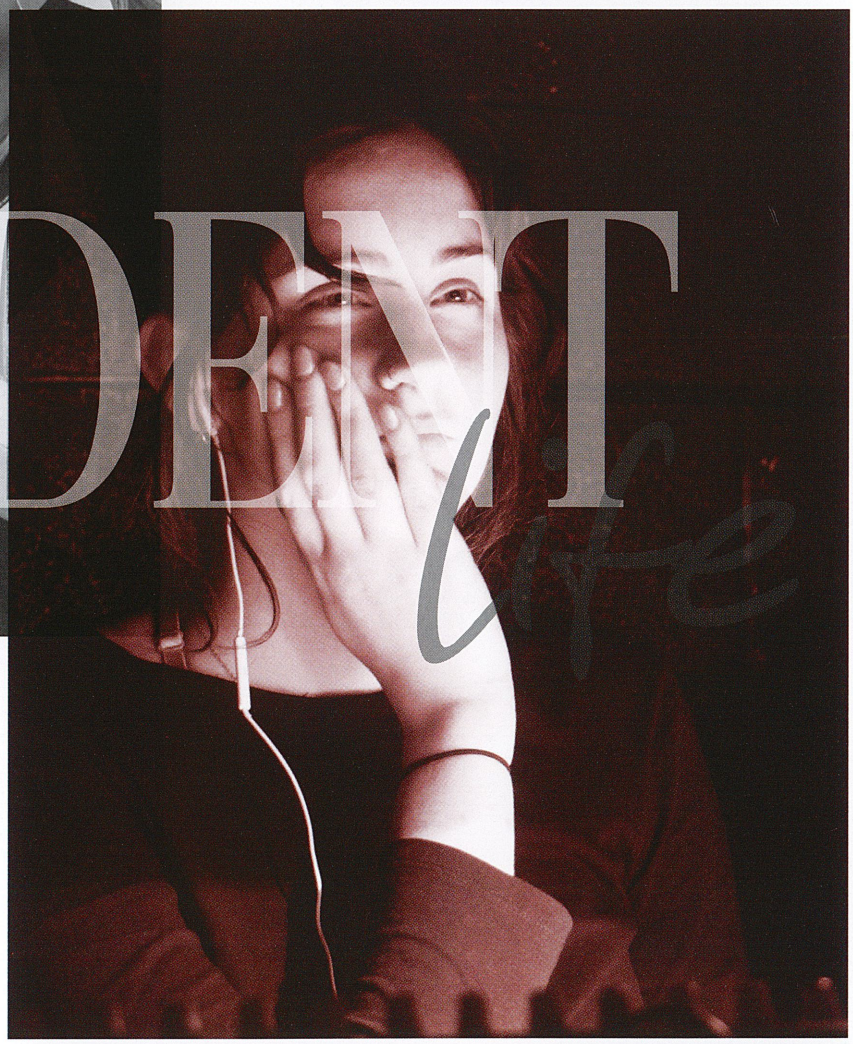

Photo: *S. Smietana* (11)

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"I really like Cheer. It gives me something to do that is fun. I've made a lot of friends through it, and it has definitely expanded my social life."

*Lauren Hilliard* (9)

What aspect of your life completes you?

# LOTS *and lots of* HOURS

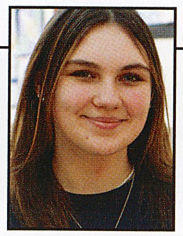
Putting on a play takes a lot. From assembling the sets to memorizing lines to finding the right nuance for a part, hours and hours of preparation and practice help to produce a stellar show. However, the long hours could get cumbersome. Some members of the cast discuss the weeks leading up to the show.

"I toughed it out for about two-and-a-half weeks leading up to the show. I was at school for nearly 16 hours each day with some Saturday work, too. One casualty I suffered was losing my voice."

*Shannon Brown* (12)

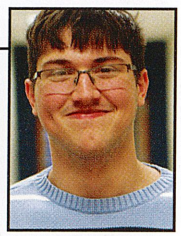
"The fall play was a lot of hard work and hours. Our practices went from 6:00 to 10:00 each night and sometimes longer. During the lead-up to the play, I thought it was too much. Now that it is over, I miss it."

*Ava Hutchinson* (10)



"It was exhausting, a lot of stress, and late nights. I was the stage manager and assistant manager for the director, so I had a lot to do. Everyone's hard work paid off in the end because it turned out to be a really good show."

*Julia Szitas* (9)



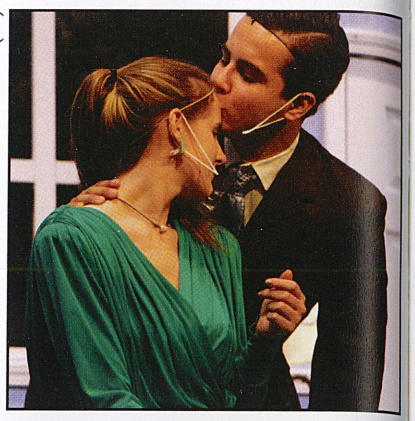
"It had lots of late nights, early mornings, and running scenes over and over and over. Even though it affected my school work more than I would have liked, the show was worth it and a lot of fun."

*Landon Newell* (12)

Photo: *S. Smietana* (11)

### *Charles the patronizer...*

As Charles Condomine (Bryant Brzozowski (12)) kisses his wife Ruth's (Madison Leith (12)) forehead, he tries to quell her displeasure with him. Brzozowski said, "In the first scene, my character Charles tries to be funny, but Ruth is having no part of it. She thinks I am annoying for making jokes about her dead former husband." Brzozowski knew he would love acting in *Blithe Spirit* due to entertaining his parents as a ten-year-old by talking with a British accent.



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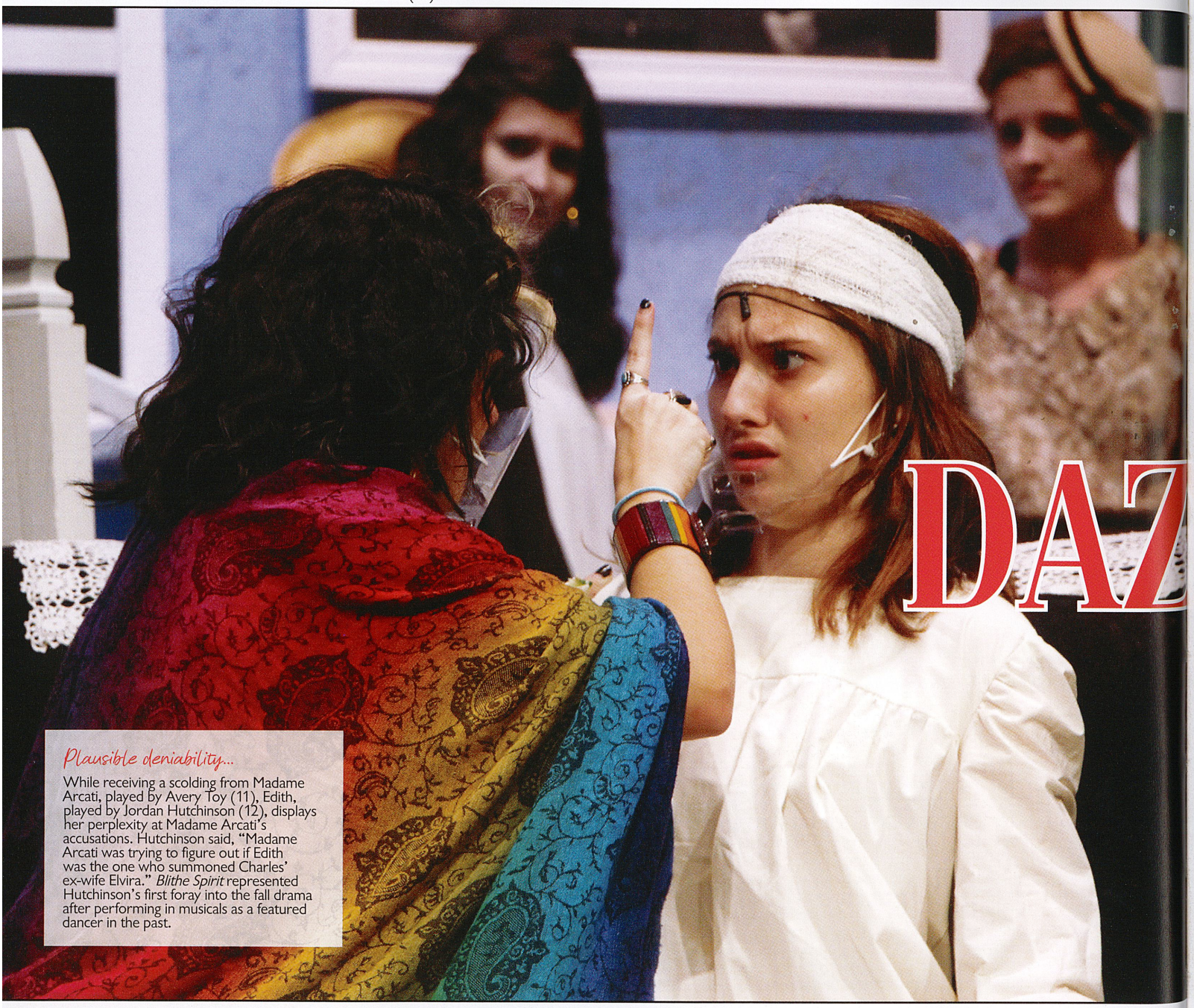

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### *Plausible deniability...*

While receiving a scolding from Madame Arcati, played by Avery Toy (11), Edith, played by Jordan Hutchinson (12), displays her perplexity at Madame Arcati's accusations. Hutchinson said, "Madame Arcati was trying to figure out if Edith was the one who summoned Charles' ex-wife Elvira." *Blithe Spirit* represented Hutchinson's first foray into the fall drama after performing in musicals as a featured dancer in the past.

Photo: *S. Smietana* (11)

# What went on behind the scenes?

"Towards the end of the show, there is a scene where the ghosts wreck the house. During the clean-up, I found this record which happened to be a casualty after it got tossed."
*Dylan Arner* (12)

"The crew has a running joke where when a person isn't looking, someone else will make a 'scary' face behind them like Dylan [Arner (12)] did and wait for them to notice. It's typically really obvious, but it was fun and a good bonding experience for the whole crew."
*Gianna Kraus* (11)

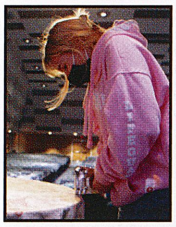
Photo: *S. Smietana* (11)

## Got to do something...

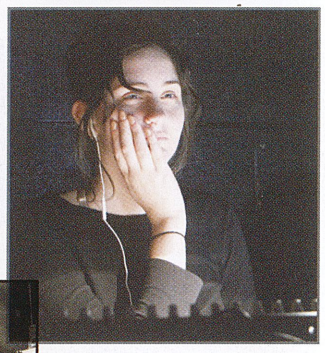
After the seance, Madame Arcati (Avery Toy (11)) passes out. Garrett Fryar (12), who played Dr. Bradman said, "In this scene, I had to stay calm while Bryant's character Charles was freaking out. We wanted to wake her up and put her in a chair to recuperate, but Charles felt shaking her would help more. The doctor knows best." *Blithe Spirit* represented Fryar's first fall drama, but he had performed in musicals since seventh grade.

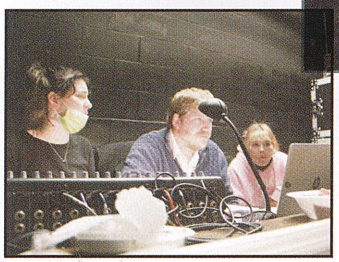
## Bad, bad, Bradman...

Playing the role of Mrs. Violet Bradman, the doctor's wife, Lauren Michaels (12) demonstrably describes a recent bad vacation. Michaels said, "My character was very bad at realizing when she was being inappropriate, but she sees it when her husband gets very frustrated with her." Michaels felt Mrs. Bradman represented the exact opposite of herself.



"During the show, this table gets knocked over numerous times. I needed to staple the fabric to the table so that it would stay in place."
*Annie Bowser* (11)





Photos: *S. Smietana* (11)

"One of the things I had to monitor in the control booth was changing the 'gain'. I had to make sure unintended noises did not come from the microphones, such as popping and buzzing sounds."
*Bella Uskuraitis* (12)

"During the musical, I was really focused on making sure that all of the audio went perfectly so that the show ran smoothly."
*Ryan Felt* (fac)

Story: *G. Kraus* (11)

# ED, CONFUSED, and bruised

## Cast and crew of *Blithe Spirit* discuss injuries on set

The cast and crew of the fall drama put in hours upon hours of work in order to make the best performance possible for the much-awaited opening night. From rehearsing lines, to painting the set, to... hitting your head off of a toilet? Unfortunately, some members of the cast and crew took the phrase "blood, sweat, and tears" to a whole new level.

Loraine Getty (11) had a rough day to say the least on the day of set strike. While taking down the set of *Blithe Spirit*, she ran from accident into accident. After hitting her head off of a platform, getting a phone dropped on her head, and hitting her head off of a toilet, she was down for the count. "I knew I was clumsy, but this was completely unexpected. I could've sworn I saw stars for a few minutes afterwards," Getty said.

Bryant Brzozowski (12) recalled the chaotic final scene of the play where his character had to give a monologue while the crew threw various objects on stage from books to potted plants. "Records and silverware were being thrown at me, and a butter knife landed straight up and down on the stage like an arrow. It was super cool." Brzozowski said.

"The time helped us on stage crew to make sure things turned out well for the show. It helped us finish all the things we needed to do. It turned out to be a great performance."
*Aidan Walsh* (9)

How did practice time prepare you for the show?

Gina Hall and Dan Love portrayed leads in *A Midsummer Night's Dream* which represented Kiski's first ever Shakespeare production.

Photo: 2000 *Campus*, p. 104

# FANTASY LEAGUE
## wins in cyberspace

Discuss your draft strategy for your fantasy team.

| WIZ OF OZ | JUSTIN'S TEAM | ADAM'S LARGE MARGES | HOUSTON SPIES | ANTONIO CLOWNS |
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| "My draft strategy was to take wide receivers and running backs early and wait to take a quarterback and tight end until the end." *Owen Zimmerman* (12) | "Start off by taking the best player. Then, after the first three picks go, get team needs." *Justin Gross* (9) | "It all depends. We try to get our running backs and wide receivers first, then our quarterback, then the rest." *Adam Large* (9) | "I try to pick all the key players to the lineup like pitchers and hitters. Pitching is the key position and also hitting. The better the hitter, the better you'll be." *Dominick Hand* (9) | "Draft a quarterback to lead the team since it is not a PPR league. Then, focus on other positions whose players that I think will have good years or breakout years. Also, I don't draft rookies because of the wild factor." *Austin Bachar* (9) |

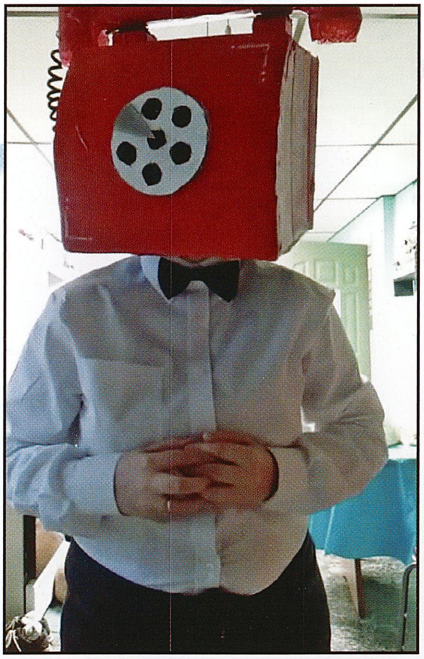
### BEST advice

"WHEN DEVELOPING YOUR DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS CHARACTER, USE YOUR OWN CREATIVITY. IT WON'T BE AS MUCH FUN IF YOU MIMIC SOMEONE ELSE."

*BAILEE GRAY* (12)

# THE cosplaying MAGIC

Submitted: *T. Butler* (11)



### Just a call away...

Inspired by the popular social networking platform TikTok, Toby Butler (11) creates his own cosplay costume. "The most difficult part was making sure the phone would fit and stay on my head," Butler said. He based his idea off of a *Five Nights of Freddy* character named Phone Guy.

Photo Illustration: *C. McCarthy* (12)

### Surreal sfx...

Looking almost too real, makeup and creativity construct a horrific illusion. Grey Farabaugh (9) said, "I had wanted to create this cosplay look for a while now and finally got the chance in my spare time." Farabaugh had five years of experience using Special FX makeup.

Photo: *G. Farabaugh* (9)

### 75% magic, 25% strategy...

Enjoying their time together during Lunch and Learn, Elishah Lacy (9) and Nate Meyer (11) occupy themselves by playing *Magic the Gathering*. Lacy said, "I was first introduced to the game at a young age by my dad, but it never really caught interest until recently." He expressed how he liked thinking and working his brain more while playing.

Photo: *J. Mattis* (11)

# MAGIC

Your top three power cards?

You're in the mood to duel, but you want to do so in a way that would not lead to trouble in school. So, you purchase a new pack of *Magic the Gathering* cards, and off you go to hopefully claim victory over your opponent.

*Nathan Meyer* (11)

*Elishah Lacy* (11)

# BEAUTY in nature

During a visit to her friend's house in Canonsburg, Savannah Renwick (11) captures the winter scene with her camera. Renwick said, "After the snow the previous night, we went out for a hike, and this breathtaking view caught my eye. I grabbed my phone and took the picture. It turned out even better than I thought." Renwick responded to requests by the yearbook staff for their nature pictures.

Photo: *S. Renwick* (10)

*Star crossed spinners...*

In the middle of the *Second Star to the Right* winter guard performance, Abigail Mortensen (11) and Rowan Fitch (12) dance lyrically while Sydney Devey (12) spins the star prop. "I loved the show this year. The part captured in this picture was my favorite part of the show," Mortensen said. She and Fitch started spinning together.

# bending back TO LOOK FORWARD

Photo: *F. Rossi* (Frank Rossi Photography)

## Students share aspirations for future

Story: *R. Frye* (11)

"I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed: 'We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal,'" Martin Luther King Jr. said. Parallel to King, four high school students shared their dreams.

"I want to be a medic in the Army because after my uncle died, I wanted to help people, and I have always wanted to be in the Army," Brayden Gardone (9) said.

"I want to be a millionaire when I grow up. I want to be a successful entrepreneur. I have always wanted to commit to a college for basketball," Brian Davenport (10) said.

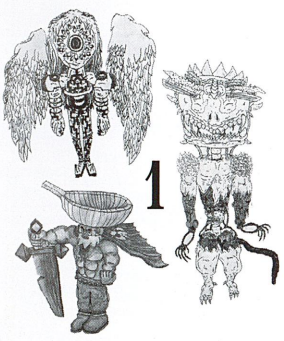
Dreams came in all different forms, whether long or short term, but everyone fantasized of something for their life in the future. As little kids we wanted to become astronauts, teachers, veterinarians, police officers, train conductors, and even a super stars.

"I dream of owning my own shop for fixing cars because that is what I grew up around. My dad has made a living off of it, and he is who I have looked up to my entire life," Ryan Schaffer (11) said.

"I have fantasized about being a professional dirt bike rider because it makes me happy," Anthony Ford (12) said.

Still, at the end of the day, everyone grew up and dreamt of different things for their lives: like carpentry, enlistment in the military, nursing, law, and more practically, what might pay the most.

## out of this world art



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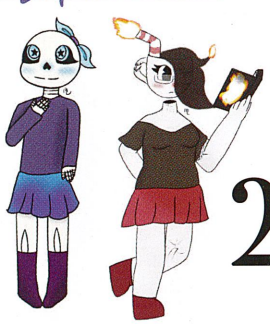

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*Kai Castleberry (11)...*

1 "I'm creating a series that has a lot of deity characters. I will put them together into a story with hundreds of characters."

*Mark Karcher (10)...*

2 "Art allows you to make fantasy type characters from any type of object into a human-like being and places that no one would think of, all from your mind."

## Which *Wizard of Oz* character do you connect to most, and why?

"I liked the scarecrow the best. He was so set on getting a brain so that he could become smart."

*Hailey Landry* (10)

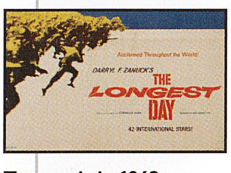
With a mask of green, senior Kiersten Moyes puts on her most frightening witch face to terrorize the scarecrow.

Photo: 2009 *Campus*, p. 24

# Then *versus* NOW

Random differences between 1962 and 2022...

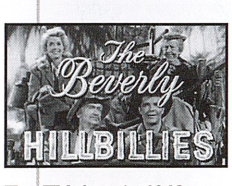
**Gallon of unleaded gas**
1962: $.31
2022: $4.39




**Top movie in 1962:**
*The Longest Day*
**Top movie in 2022:**
*Spiderman: No Way Home*

**Best selling vehicle 1962:**
Chevrolet Impala
**Best selling vehicle 2022:**
Ford F-Series Truck

**NFL Champs 1962:**
Green Bay Packers
**NFL Champs 2022:**
Los Angeles Rams




**Top TV show in 1962:**
*The Beverly Hillbillies*
**Top TV show in 2022:**
*NFL Football*

**Pittsburgh Penguins home in 1962:** team did not exist; minor league Pittsburgh Hornets played at Civic Arena
**Pittsburgh Penguins home in 2022:** PPG Paints Arena

*A big obstacle...*

On the day of the football team pictures, Carter Woods (3) tries to tackle his big brother Brayden Dunmire (12). Dunmire said, "Regardless of our age, football is something that brings us together as a family." Yearbook staffer Grace Wilferd (11) helped to coach Woods' third and fourth grade basketball team.

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New Photo: *G. Wilferd* (11) - Old Photo: *1962 KAHS Facility Brochure* - Photo Illustration: *S. Gracey* (fac)

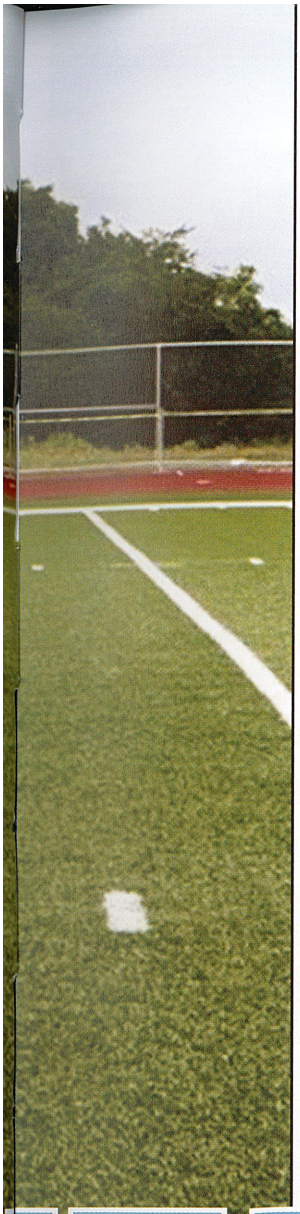
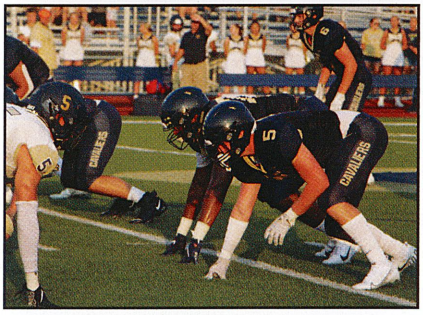


Photo: *C. Dunmire* (par)

# DILTS DYNASTY

## *BUILT ON THE* FIELD



To have a field named for you indicates a legendary status in one way or another. Richards Dilts represented the glory years of Kiski Area football in the 1960s and 1970s that included a WPIAL Championship in 1971. In 2018, the new stadium on the grounds of the high school campus took on the name Richard J. Dilts Field.

The notoriety of the feat did not get lost on Carter Dilts (12). Dilts said, "When I heard that they were going to name the football stadium for my grandfather, I was shocked. He did a lot of great things for Kiski Area, and it is an honor he definitely earned."

The Dilts name and playing sports went hand in hand as Carter included wrestling with his football playing time. His brothers, Jack (2021 grad) and Hunter (2019 grad), also played football and wrestled. His sister Jenna (2016 grad) played volleyball, while his other sister, Kaylie (2013 grad), played volleyball, as well as basketball.

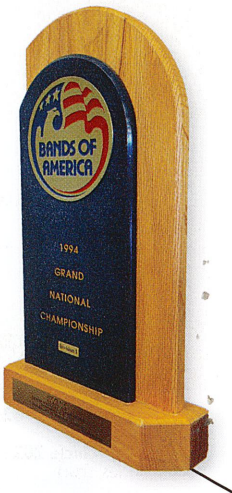
## BAND

***at its very best, ever...***

**The Year:** 1994
**The Show:** *Come Rain or Shine*
**The Acclaim:** Kiski's highest score (95.2) and placement (First overall in prelims) ever at a Bands of America Grand Nationals.
**The Future:** The 2022-23 KA Marching band plans to attend the upcoming BOA Nationals.

"I will never forget the BOA Finals of 1994. Kiski won the entire prelims round over second place Marian Catholic by .2 points. Mr. Koter, who was sitting in front of me in the stands, turned around and said that Kiski would lose Finals by less than .2 to Marian Catholic. Final score - MC: 93.55 and KA: 93.4. I was in awe. We are just so lucky that Scott Koter began his career at the *Big K*."

*Mr. Fantaski* (fac)




# GENERATIONS

## *of Kiski graduates*

Story by: *J. Swanson* (fac)

### Student discusses differences in school experiences

Previous generations liked to talk about the good old days. Current students could only imagine the good old days since they lived in the present day. But, everyone had the opportunity to speculate about the future. With the relatively high percentage of students whose parents grew up in the area, stories got passed back and forth between the generations.

Tavian Wilson's (10) dad Mr. Troy Wilson graduated as a Cavalier in 1990 and currently teaches physical education at the Intermediate School.

Wilson said, "My dad talked about how when he was a student here, you were in a specific academic curriculum. Based on your curriculum, that determined what classes you took. Now, with arena scheduling, we have more freedom as to the classes we sign up for."

Wilson's sister Avantai graduated in 2009. Regarding her time here, Tavian Wilson said, "She said how many of the popular kids in her class peaked in high school."

As for his own time here, Tavian Wilson said, "Social media has changed how students relate to each other. I've discussed with my dad how relationships of any type are just so different from his time here as a student."

Discuss a major difference between Kiski now and when your mom graduated.

"My mother said that the buildings were separate, and you had to walk outside between classes."

*Mikayla McDonald* (12)

Mendie Davis (1994 grad) poses for her senior yearbook photo. Davis participated in several Kiski bands and played the flute.

Photo: 1994 *Campus*, p. 18

# SAME *stage, same* CREW

Unlike in years prior, stage crew did not build elaborate sets or move props during performances. Still, they remained a vital part of the musical. Members discuss the positives of stage crew.

"It was really cool seeing everything behind the cameras, and it was different than what we normally would do."
*Olivia Croney* (12)

"We really didn't have specific positions. I helped to make sure the stage was set for each performer."
*Aiden Bico* (12)

"It was a smaller group, but it brought us all closer together. It was nice because it was a bonding experience for everyone."
*Gianna Kraus* (11)

"It was a very interesting experience. It was nice to have something to do since the world was shut down."
*Loraine Getty* (11)

"I'm just really glad there was still a performance and that I was able to be crew chief for it."
*Rome Oliver* (2021 Grad)

"We didn't get to build sets which made me upset. It was also sad because I didn't get to do a full show yet because last year's was cancelled."
*Annie Bowser* (11)

Photo: *V. McMullen* (2021 grad)

### *Sinister sisters...*

Fighting like sisters do, Sara Shannon (10) and Ambur Orowitz (10) perform "Step Sisters" from the musical *Cinderella*. Shannon said, "Having to act like a brat was easy because I have been acting since I was two." Shannon also appeared in the 2018 musical *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat.*

Photo: *C. Mydock* (2021 grad)

Photo: *V. McMullen* (2021 grad)

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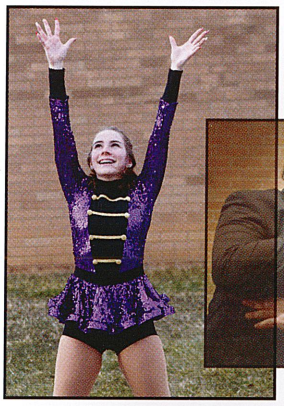
### *Dancers dig dance...*

While the featured dancers perform "Come Alive" from *The Greatest Showman*, they hit their final pose. Allie Zdobinski (11) said, " Even though this dance was hard, having dancing experience helped make it easier." Many of the dancers commented that they found the dance fun and upbeat.

Photo: *C. Mydock* (2021 grad)

# Practice makes it all perfect



"I like doing the musicals because I can dress up in cute costumes and have fun jumping and dancing around on stage in front of my family and friends."
*Emma Mellinger* (11)

"I wasn't supposed to be a Master of Ceremony originally, and it was a last minute thing. I had fun having to retake the scene because Tori [Hogan] (2021 grad) kept making us laugh."
*Bryant Brzozowski* (12)

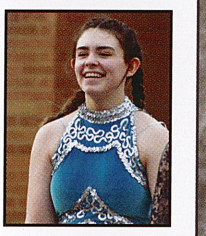
Photo: *C. Mydock* (2021 grad)

## *Double check the facts...*

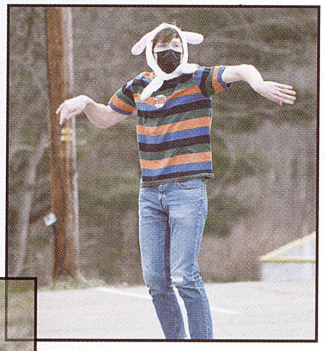
While performing a song from *Guys and Dolls*, Jackson Bielek (12), Landon Newell (12), and Mason Caldwell (10) study a book under the dim stage lights. Bielek said, "It was easier to perform for the CAVaret because we could do it multiple times if we messed up." Unlike the typical musicals with months of planning and rehearsals, the cast only had about a month to prepare.

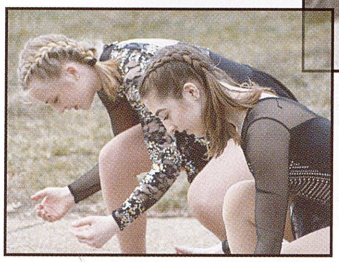
## *Going great for Godspell...*

After a minimal amount of rehearsal time for CAVaret, Heidi Plazio (10), Garrett Seymour (10), and Rosa Heath (2021 grad) make the best of it while performing "Turn Back Oh Man" from the musical *Godspell*. Plazio said, "I loved working with Rosa and Garrett; we all loved how the song was playful and gave us freedom to show our musical abilities." Plazio believed that everyone worked hard and should take pride in how the CAVaret turned out.



"Even though we didn't have a musical, it was a great experience for me, being that it was my first show."
*Sarah Johnson* (10)





Photos: *V. McMullen* (2021 grad)

"I was a member of stage crew. When the featured dancers were being filmed, to kill some time, we had some fun copying what they were doing."
*Dylan Arner* (12)

Having some sort of musical was nice. Being a featured dancer required a fair amount of practice, which I enjoyed being able to do."
*Andie Zielinski* (12)

Story: *J. Glunt* (12)

# ERFORMING *for the camera*

## CAVaret enabled musical-type performance without physical audience

The show must go on — even in the midst of a worldwide pandemic. After the originally planned production of *Legally Blonde* came crashing to a halt, many musically-inclined students wondered when music would return to the stage once more. Luckily, musical director Mr. Capanna had a solution... The Kiski Area CAVaret. In traditional cabaret style, this unique production showcased a variety of talent and music. The taped program live streamed on YouTube so that students, friends, family, and supporters could enjoy it from home. Not only did this special opportunity bring joy and entertainment to the school community, but it also provided a creative outlet for those students who nearly had their love of performance starved out by the pandemic. Some students even had the opportunity to perform a song from the cancelled show.

"This performance allowed me to share something new and showcase myself as an individual, which was a unique experience. I still felt connected to my castmates and I will cherish that memory with them," Shannon Brown (12) said. Brown starred in a musical number with other members of the *Legally Blonde* cast. "I am very thankful to have been able to take part in something meaningful, especially at a time when it did not seem like performance would be possible."

"I have seen *Mamma Mia* before when it was at the Benedum Center; I liked all of the music. After I saw the musical, I watched the movie millions of times."

*Jordyn Lubik* (9)

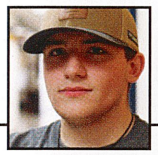
Have you seen any non-Kiski musicals?

Kiersten Moyes (2009 grad) puts on her most frightening witch face to terrorize the scarecrow.

Photo: 2009 *Campus*, p. 24

# HUNTIN', FISHIN', *and lovin' every day*

Students discuss their first kill while hunting.



### *elk*

"When I bagged my first elk, I about pooped myself. All in all, I get about ten animals a year, usually deer, duck, turkey, and other small game."

*Collin Webb* (10)

### *squirrel*

"I was 15 when I shot my first squirrel. I don't hunt them yearly, but I do every so often. Yearly though, I hunt deer."

*Julian Hughes* (12)

### *pheasant*

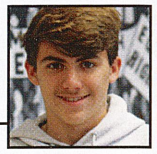
"I was 12 years old when I first started hunting pheasant. I will hunt everything on the planet, but my favorite thing to hunt is definitely pheasant."

*Jace Hoe* (10)

### *deer*

"I was 13 years old when I shot my first deer. I hunt deer every year, but I also hunt squirrels, pheasant, turkey, and deer."

*Emma Hibner* (11)



### *bear*

"I was 14 when I shot my first bear. I love to hunt bears. I go yearly, but I also hunt deer, turkey, pheasant, squirrel, rabbit, and elk."

*David Dickun* (9)

## BEST *advice*

"MORGAN FREEMAN SAID, 'YOU'RE NOT LIVING ON THE EDGE THEN YOU'RE TAKING UP TOO MUCH SPACE.'"

*KELINA SMITH (9)*

# ALL IN IT *to win it...*

### *Circle of fun...*

While at the Bands of America Mid-Atlantic Regional Championship in College Park, MD, Emersyn Lynch (10) and her fellow clarinetists take a moment for a fun picture of their group huddle that they do before every competition. Lynch said, "In the finals, we competed against 12 other bands and took home first place in every category. There is not one thing about band I don't like." Lynch commented about how much she enjoyed band camp especially when Mr. Pityk sat on the skyjack with his water jug next to him and his hoodie wrapped around his head.

Photo: *G. Wilferd* (11)

### *Uphill climb...*

On his 2018 KTM 150 XC-W, Jake Hagofsky (12) climbs a hill at Switchback MX in Butler, PA. "I ended up placing midway in standings after an accident that caused an ankle contusion, but I finished the race and ended up passing 50 or so riders total." His worst crash happened when he cracked his growth plates in his wrist during *The General* in Washington, GA.

Photo: *TF Photoz*

### *Flowing photo...*

In the heart of downtown Pittsburgh at the George Rowland White Performance Center, Grace Wilferd (11) extends up on relevé in her *Game of Survival* solo. Wilferd said, "I have competed for about ten years. I gave it up because it was just too big of a commitment with everything else that I had going on." She also took dance at *A Step Above Dance Academy* in New Kensington.

Photo: *Emily Brunner Photography*

# GAME *on*

"My favorite game is Fortnite. It's really fun to play and play with your friends. It's a really challenging game that I spend a lot of time and money on."

*Branden Bigley* (9)

### *Flags in a row...*

A long-standing tradition, members of the color guard display their flags at a 45-degree angle. "At 36, we had the biggest guard that we've had in decades. The highlight, to me, was definitely when we beat every other band at the Mid-Atlantic BOA Regional in Maryland by 2.5 points. That's unheard of," Sophia Wilson (9) said. The band is the only regiment in the country to have won a BOA Regional in each of five decades.

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

*Intense situation...*

After an overheated engine combined with a gas leak sparked a fire, Brady Lutes (12) attempts to limit the damage with his firehose. Lutes said, "I knew an explosion was possible, but when my fire chief told me to get back, I misheard him and thought he told me to push up. I heard a sizzle and two seconds later, the car exploded. I flew back about 12 feet and was hit by glass, a piece of the motor, and a piece of the transmission." Lutes' fire company responded to a call about a flipped car near Naser's not long after finishing up this call.

# blazin' heat

## OF THE MOMENT

Photo: *J. Brown Jr.* (Parks Twp. Fire Chief)

### Student firefighter endures life-threatening situations

Story: *R. Frye* (11)

Heart pounding, people screaming, and fire crackling. Brady Lutes (12) rushed to the fire on March 4th at 8:17 p.m. with firehose in hand. The unbearable heat from a car engine caused a spark, and when combined with a gas leak, resulted in an explosion, sending Lutes flying about 12 feet.

Lutes said, "I was excited that I was finally dealing with my first fire wreck. I heard my fire chief yelling and thought he said to 'push up,' but he was yelling at me to 'get back.' I did not know that until it was too late. I thought that I was going to die on impact. Luckily, I only ended up with bruises and cuts after being hit with shards of glass, a piece of the motor, and a part of the transmission."

Lutes joined the Parks Township Fire Department at the age of 14, inspired by his father and stepfather, who also served.

"There are definitely hardships that come with the job; the hardest is having to extract the deceased bodies from the scene and not being able to save everyone," Lutes said.

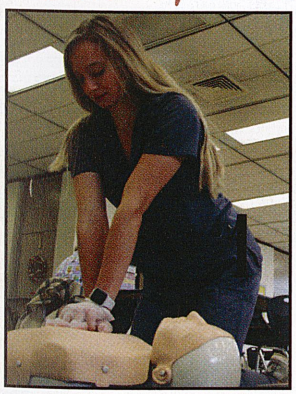
Right after controlling the first fire, a second call came in—two cars participated in a race near Naser's, leading to a disaster. The feeling of excitement quickly went away after he had heard the news.

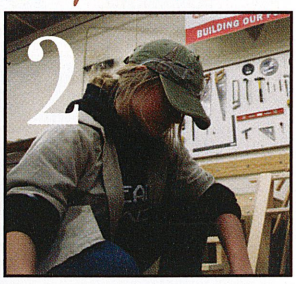
"I was devastated and angry that a baby lost its life in the car accident. The mother was holding the baby on her lap, and she survived while her baby did not," Lutes said.

The other car got stuck on the train tracks with a train scheduled to approach in due time. With no time to call the operators, Lutes and his team had to work efficiently.

"We did end up getting the cars off the tracks with time to spare; I am glad that no other damage was caused after the accident," Lutes said.

## passion for the future






*Haylee Hughes (11)...*

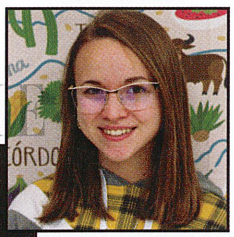
1 "I am very passionate about learning basic skills to enhance my knowledge of nursing."

*Alyssa Seibel (10)...*

2 "I like the feeling of accomplishment with all the projects we do at Tech and how challenging some of them are."

"Spanish is my favorite language to learn, but I am learning seven other languages. I am going to learn some Portuguese, too."

*Tiffany Stitt* (9)



What passion do you have?

SPARE TIME

"Patiently awaiting her finished afghan, a home economics student knits in her spare time."

Photo: 1971 *Campus*, p. 71

# What we PAINTED

## Why those colors, words, and/or design for your parking space?

"*Life is good* is a brand name of clothing and other stuff that I really like. I thought that it was fitting for my senior year, trying to be positive."

*Hannah Kastelic* (12)

"I based my spot design on a song from my favorite movie that I watch with my mom and sister, Mamma Mia! I also plan on majoring in musical theatre."

*Shannon Brown* (12)

"Since I like '70s music, I was going for a stripey pattern from the '70s. I also like sunflowers, so Jack Coleman put them on my space for me."

*Cam Thompson* (12)

"A lot of things that I own are cow print. It is known to be black and white so those were my main colors, and pink just stood out so I chose that for my words."

*Sarah Musser* (12)

"I went to Colorado over the summer and loved it. I wanted something to represent the outdoors that I love so much."

*Andie Zielinski* (12)

### *Queen for a year...*

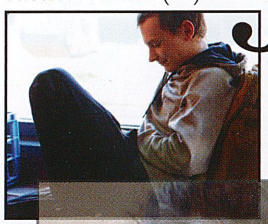
Prior to the start of school, Bryant Brzozowski (12) paints his reserved parking spot in the back lot. Brzozowski said, "My girlfriend Maddie and I designed my spot after Queen's song *Love of My Life*. It had a white backdrop with black lettering and music staff on it." Students paid an additional $25 to reserve their spot and the right to paint it.

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

# SEN

Photo: *Z. Myers* (11)

Photo: *P. Fantaski* (fac)




## MY SPOT

1. "I took a minute to myself to get away from the stress of school and a break from reality through TikTok."

*Emma Mellinger* (11)

2. "Since we were all kicked out of the 200-building, we ended up on the floor in the 300s to eat our lunches."

*Keara Loughner* (9)

3. "I like to hang out on the window sill in 304 because of the view, and my friends hang out in there also."

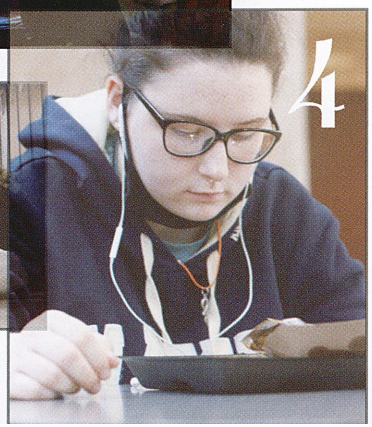
*John Gibbons* (12)

4. "I like to eat my lunch in the atrium because I can people-watch the students and not just sit in a corner."

*Jayden Semprevivo* (12)

## ALL THOSE *lunch & learns*

Photo: *P. Fantaski* (fac)

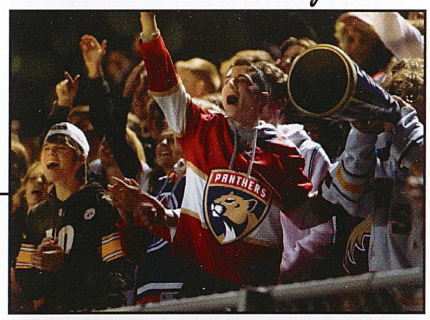


# OUR SPACE *IN THE STANDS FOR* football theme nights

### white out

"It was really cool to see all the baby powder explode in the crowd to rally the team."

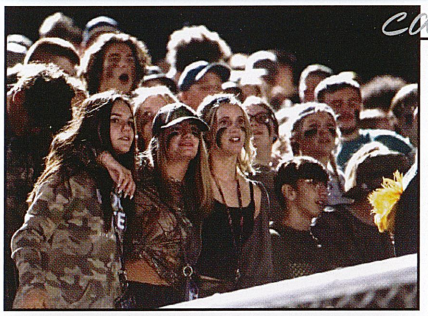
*Donovin Lauschus* (12)




### jersey

"I expected all Burgh sports team jerseys. It was nice seeing so many other Kiski team jerseys there."

*Mrs. Wadsworth* (fac)



### camo

"I couldn't see any of the students at the game because they were all donning their best camo."

*Mrs. Poleski* (fac)

### neon

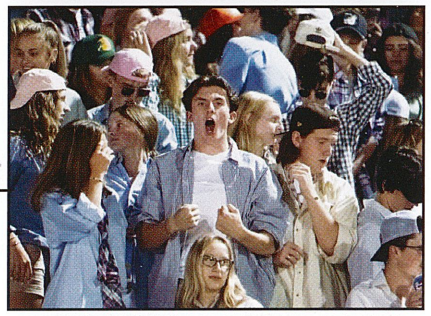
"It was neat seeing a kid with a traffic cone on his head and Ryan K's fake skeleton tossed around."

*Katie Wigton* (11)

### costume

"The game was super close the whole time, and that definitely made the whole night intense."

*Hunter Ford* (12)



### frat

"The energy at Frat Night was unmatched for an away game. We ended up winning against Shaler."

*Enzo Morlacci* (12)

Photos: *A. Wilkins* (par)

# NIOR SPACES reflect interests

Story: *G. Kraus* (11)

## Addition of painted parking spaces lets seniors get creative

During the summer and with the new school year approaching rapidly, students rushed into the school's office to purchase parking passes to avoid the chaotic experience of riding a bus home. An added privilege greeted the incoming seniors... for an additional $25, they could reserve a parking space and paint it however they wanted.

Pailey Vitale (12) jumped at the chance to paint her parking spot, finishing it over the summer. She painted her spot to appear as a puzzle, with different aspects of her life on each piece. "The space also says 'you fit.' I wanted to use positivity in my design, and 'you fit' just represents everyone having a place in the world, and all of us coming together to build a puzzle," Vitale said.

"I chose to paint a portion of the final part of one of my favorite games. I wrote a message the game gives you once you reach the end - since it's my senior year," Katelyn Bombalski (12) said.

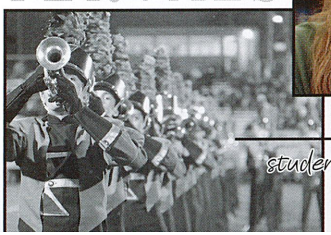
Many seniors appreciated the opportunity to paint a parking space. "It really felt like something I could make special about my senior year," Bombalski said.

"If you're not in the right space, somebody's going to get hurt."

*Sidney Mowers* (12)

How much does spacing play a part in the Kiski band?

INTERVALS



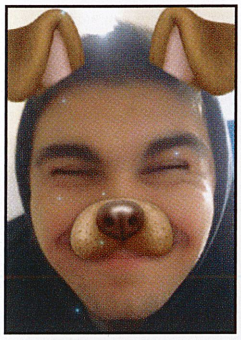
As the crowd rolls in to Davis Field, the marching band high-steps onto the field and arranges themselves in a K to play the Kiski Fight Song.

Photo: 2016 *Campus*, p204

# FOR the SNAP

In January 2015, Snapchat added important features—filters and lenses. Snapchat typically had 10 to 20 filters and lenses available at a time, though millions of filters and lenses existed.

Students enjoyed using them to have fun at their own expense or that of their friends.



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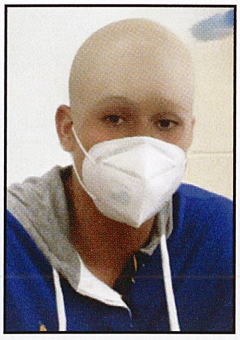
"I have no clue as to when this picture was taken, where it was taken, or why it was taken."

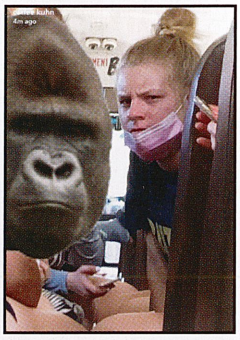
*CJ Hepler* (12)



*beautiful bald*

"Laci Safranyos and Savannah Fritz like taking photos of me using the bald head filter."

*Tavian Wilson* (10)



*let me sleep*

"On the way home from the Shaler Volleyball Tournament, I was sleeping. One of my teammates woke me up and told me to look. It ended up on Snapchat after the gorilla was added."

*Maddie Joyce* (9)

Submitted: *R. Neff* (11)

*Excuse me?...*

While Facetiming Tatiana Holt (10), Emersyn Lynch makes a confused facial expression. Lynch said, "I am sure I was annoyed because she was being weird." Friends since grade six, Lynch and Holt talked on a daily basis through SnapChat, texting, etc.

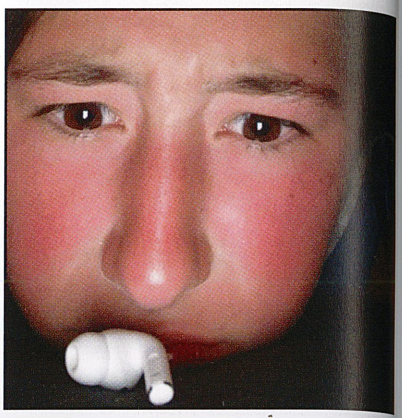


Photo: *T. Holt* (10)

**Note:** Reflecting a once longtime *Campus* tradition, the yearbook staff now offers, once again, its worst pictures of the year. The student body looked forward to this part of the yearbook yearly, and students submitted all of the photographs that appear throughout the listing. The yearbook staff obtained permission from the people in each picture and added quotes from them to yield even a bit more whimsy to the fun.

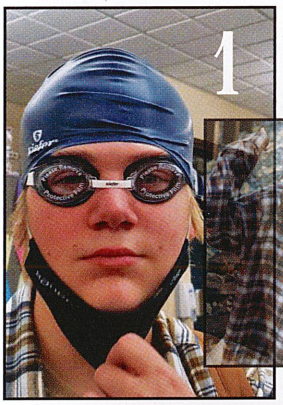
# time to FACE IT...

*Super cringe-worthy...*

During his cousin's graduation party in Apopka, Florida, Ryan Neff (11) finds himself bored while in the hot tub. Neff said, "I like to take weird pictures with my camera. I thought I would hold my camera low and see how it turned out." Neff indicated that he had a lot of strange pictures, but this hot tub one rose to the top as his favorite.

# All those strange expressions

Photo: *R. Frye* (11)



"I was improvising my Halloween costume by buying swim accessories from the Student Store. It was a quality joke."
*Marion Zalenski* (10)

"While we were down at the railroad tracks near Hawk Valley, I was caught in the act of throwing a rock at Avery Celo. I hit her."
*Grace Geltz* (11)

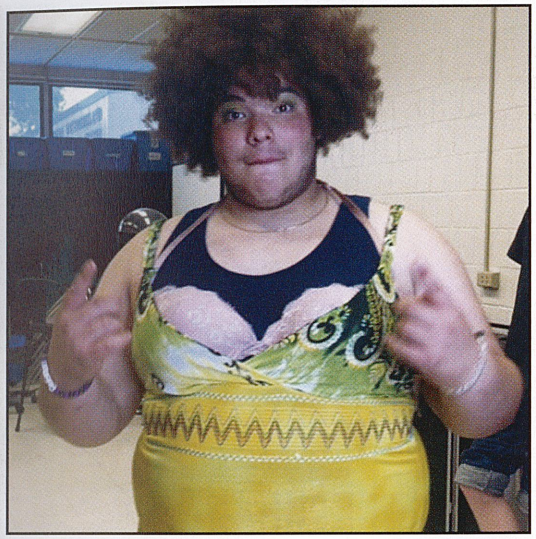


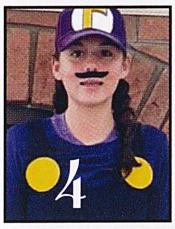
Photo: *D. Rhine* (12)

## Funny times in Ohio...

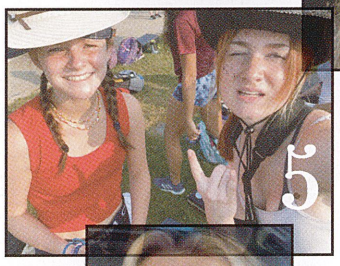
Prior to settling in for the night, Savannah Renwick (11) gets surprised by the snapping of Rachel Frye's (11) camera. "We were just goofing off, and the next thing I know, Rachel takes my picture. I told her it was an ugly photo, and I look like I am dying," Renwick said. Renwick and Frye enjoyed their snowtubing getaway to Ohio.

## Bad hair day...

During a Vo-Tech day, Deashaun Rhine's (12) friends challenge him to dress up like a girl for the heck of it. Rhine said, "I borrowed the wig from cosmetology, and they also did the makeup for me." Rhine's Vo-Tech teacher Mr. Cooper found his outfit unique to say the least and expressed "concern."

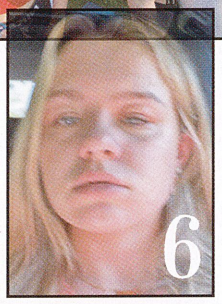


"I am so glad that my friends stalked my mom's Facebook page to get this picture of me in my Waluigi costume. So, more than one friend turned this in?"
*Emma King* (11)



"When I was dressed up in my Halloween hockey player costume, Avery Celo blinded me with the flash after she told me to pose for a picture."
*Alyssa Mydock* (11)

"At band camp, we were told to wear cowboy hats. Tatiana Holt and I sported our best ones."
*Avery Celo* (11)



"That day, I had an allergic reaction at school and had to leave. They didn't know what was wrong with me, so I started crying. I snapped Laci Safranyos the picture, and she screenshotted it."
*Savannah Fritz* (10)

"I was about to snap a selfie of myself, but then I sneezed. This picture was the result of that."
*Tatum Antimary* (10)

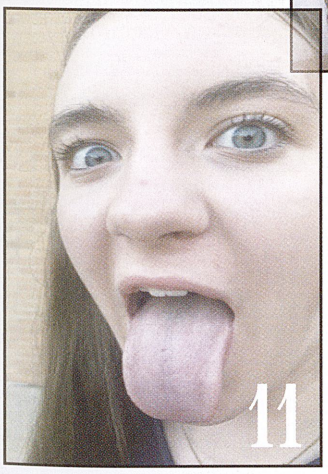
"I was sitting at the kitchen table doing my schoolwork. I took a short break while wearing my fuzzy, comfy hoodie and snapped this silly selfie."
*Nevaeh Riggle* (11)

"I started uncontrollably laughing in the middle of a presentation for 8th grade Science class."
*Hannah Gordish* (11)

"My good friend Tatum (Antimary) just happened to take my picture the moment after I woke up. I didn't know she was going to take it until she took it."
*Sam Andrasy* (10)

"On the day of our volleyball team picture, Laci Safranyos (11) was taking so many pictures. I thought I would mess with her with my look, but it looks like she got me back by submitting this picture."
*Bryn Hewitt* (11)

"I was sitting in class bored out of my mind when I took a selfie for my Snapchat."
*Lexi Bollinger* (10)



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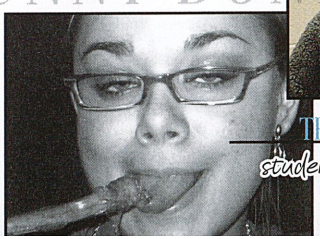
## FUNNY BONE

Discuss an embarrassing moment.



Dessie Mitcheson (2009 grad) sucks the meat off of a chicken bone at Medieval Times. Mitcheson became a successful model appearing on magazine covers and competed in *The Amazing Race.*
Photo: 2009 *Campus*, p. 237

# GIVING YOUR HEART *to the community*

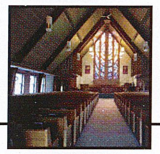
Discuss an organization that you have volunteered for that gave you the most satisfaction.

"The *Larry Klu Foundation* for my 8th grade art teacher Mr. Larry Klukaszewski is such a delight to work with."

*Brady Rametta* (11)

"*KVL Youth Cheerleading* brings the community together well and lets kids be a part of a team."

*Summer Fairman* (12)



"With my church, Grace Community Church in Lower Burrell, I help out with their food drives, *Operation Christmas Child*, spaghetti dinners, etc."

*Lexi Colaianni* (11)

"Helping out with the North Apollo Church of God clothing drive was a lot of fun. We had a good time knowing we were helping people in need, and it was fun to sort the clothes."

*Caylie Tursky* (10)

"My grandma's and aunt's church has always run the St. Vincent de Paul store in Apollo. It's in my comfort zone to help out there."

*Mateya Maldonado* (11)

# RIGHT *from the* HEADLINES

Photo: *Joyce Hanz* (Tribune Review)

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## *Bright lights and darker times...*

In his neighborhood, Jayden Mattis (11) sets up candles in sanded bags and lights them. Mattis said, "We would do it every year on Christmas Eve when I was younger. I wanted to help bring back something that was a special part of my childhood. It was a great way to get everyone to reconnect during COVID." Mattis recalled a humorous anecdote when Sarah Johnson's (10) mom lit them wrong and started their grass on fire.

## BEST *advice*

"FOR THOSE IN KEY CLUB, GET YOUR HOURS AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE; DON'T PUT IT OFF. ALSO, SIGN UP FOR AS MANY EVENTS AS POSSIBLE."

*FAITH ANDREE (12)*

## *In the news...*

For a feature in the Tribune-Review, Sophia Trapani (11) and Allison Thompson (11) display the box they used regarding the shoe drive. Trapani said, "I enjoy doing community service because I think it's important to be kind, give back, and help make a difference in the lives of both people and animals." Joey Trapani (9) and Nick Krason (2021 grad) also offered up their services for the effort.

Photo: *Joyce Hanz* (Tribune Review)

Photo: *A. Thompson* (11)

## *Shoe enough...*

While sorting all of the shoe donations, Allison Thompson (11) counts a total of 6,668 pairs of donated shoes. Thompson said, "You get to meet lots of new people and go to an array of places when you volunteer. I was nominated for Student of the Year, so I drive most of my community service towards my campaign." Thompson learned a lot from the whole campaign and appreciated all the help and the experience gained from it.

# TICKETS *for kids*

The Junior ROTC students jumped into the fundraising game by hosting a three-on-three basketball tournament. Brian Davenport (10) and Zach Myers (11) spent their Lunch and Learn time signing up teams. The goal involved getting 12 to 16 teams, but they had only eight signups originally. To get more time to recruit more teams, the JROTC postponed the event until April. Davenport said, "*Tickets for Kids* helps to purchase toys and clothes for kids in need."

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

*All fired up...*

With all his fire gear on, Cole Graf (10) makes sure everything works accordingly. Graf said, "I was encouraged to join by my friends that were already volunteering at the fire department. I joined not expecting much from it, but it turns out it's really fun, and I enjoy it." Graf quickly learned that helping out in the community had become an important part of his life"

# set the world

## ON FIRE FOR CHARITIES

Submitted: *C. Graf* (10)

### Ambitious students work hard for communities

Story: *K. Bombalski* (12)

High school provided a lot of new freedom to students, and they decided how to use it. Some consumed their time with studying while others participated in sports and other activities, but a rare few found ways outside of school to fill their time. One student in particular made use of her time by helping an organization important to her: *The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society* (LLS)

Allison Thompson (11) began her work for LLS because of the care services they provide for patients and families.

"The experience has allowed me to meet so many amazing people who are also involved in the foundation," Thompson said. "They have taught me lesson after lesson which has helped me grow as a student and an individual."

Thompson received a nomination for the LLS Student of the Year and has raised thousands of dollars for the foundation. With the help of her friends and family, her work continued to run through the school in the form of bake sales and intramural sport tournaments that brought awareness to her fight against cancer.

"My favorite memory from LLS has to be the day the truck came to pick up the shoes. We went out to lunch afterwards to celebrate, and while we were eating, my interview was shown on the KDKA news station. I remember thinking to myself—I am making a real difference here."

## read across america

*Sarah Musser (12)...*

1 "I plan to become a teacher after I graduate. I have participated in many volunteer opportunities through Kiski. I believe these opportunities with kids will help make me a better teacher."

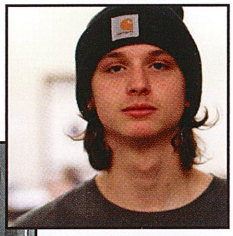
*Zoe Holm (10)...*

2 "I enjoy making kids happy. When I am able to make them smile, I feel like I made the world a little brighter."

### Discuss a project you spent a lot of time on.

"It took me six months to rebuild the engine in my 2002 Subaru Legacy GT. After a January blow up, I got it working again."

*Gerald Schafer* (12)

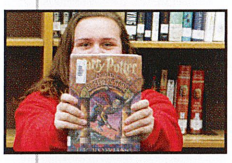


Senior Amanda Wilson proudly plants the pole for the American Flag to support the anniversary of September 11th.

Photo: 2003 *Campus*, p. 14

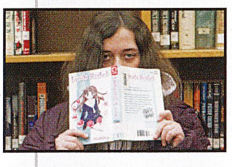
# What we READ

## What book or series did you most enjoy discovering?



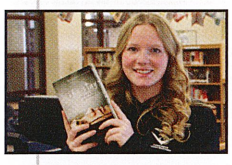
"I love reading the *Harry Potter* series because of the way they portray magic. My sister got me into reading *Harry Potter* by making me watch the movies."

*Kayley Bowser* (12)



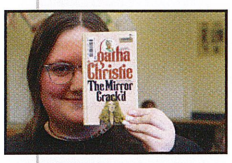
"*Fruits Basket* is my favorite book because it is very well-written. It draws you in. The author did an amazing job at portraying emotions and the back stories of the characters."

*Aryonna Abbott* (9)



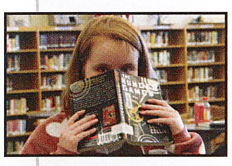
"The story of *If I Stay* about a girl recovering from a coma and losing her family in a car accident was really interesting. The author told a great story."

*Kira Long* (9)




"Mysteries have always been intriguing to me–mystery TV shows, too. I really got into them in fifth grade."

*Sarah Musser* (12)



"*The Hunger Games* by Suzanne Collins struck a chord with me because I grew up in a small family like Katniss. Her family meant a lot to her, and they helped each other out."

*Kara Fouse* (12)

Photo: *G. Kraus* (11)

### I'm lovin' it...

Enjoying a nice meal from McDonald's, Xaiden Connelly (10) has fun with his stage crew friends. Connelly said, "We always walk to one of the local fast food restaurants to eat before we have to start working on sets." Connelly mentioned he and the rest of the crew sometimes work into the late hours so getting food gives them energy, especially after school.

# ATA

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

### In the presence of Dewey...

Getting ready to read another book, Evan McDole (9) signs his name on the card. McDole said, "I really enjoy reading books, and I always have." McDole found the *Attack on Titan* series to his liking since he finished each book fairly quickly.

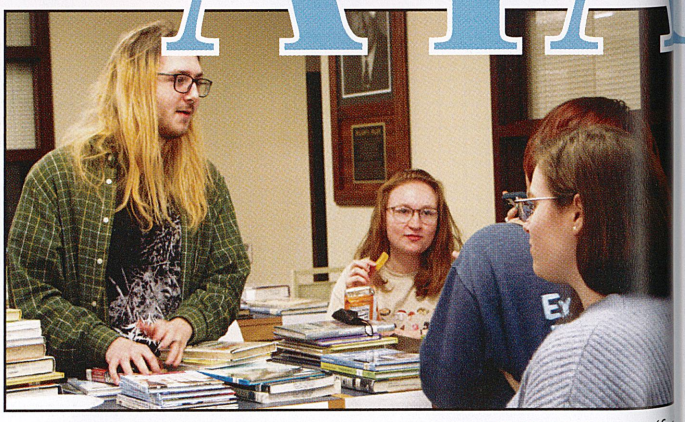


Photo: *J. Swanson* (fa

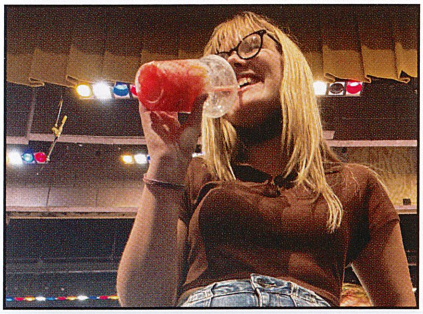
### A debatable lunch...

On her days that she does not have work release, Adaleine Marangoni (12) enjoys talking with her group of friends about movies and games. Marangoni said, "Sometimes we talk about controversial topics, but it is all in good fun. Nothing ever gets too heated or serious." The lunchtime conversations included Marangoni on each day B since she worked on each day A.

Photos/Story: *G. Kraus* (11)

# the BELLY RULES THE MIND

## Stage Crew discusses getting food after school



Featuring: *A. Bowser* (11)

Featuring: *M. Libent* (10), *G. Thomas* (9), and *A. Poloff* (9).

Featuring: *L. Getty* (11), and *G. Kraus* (11)

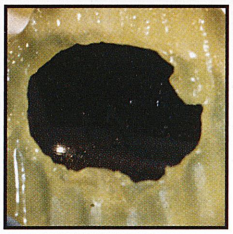
A brisk wind nips the cheeks of members of the stage crew as they sprint across the highway, laughing all the way. Hungry members of the stage crew would dare the highway and sometimes unpredictable drivers to get an early dinner before working on the intricate set for the musical.

Xaiden Connelly (10) rarely missed the trek to get food after school. Connelly said, "Getting food gives me a lot more energy before long crew days and nights. It also helps boost my morale by going out with my friends. We normally go to McDonald's or Dairy Queen, but I prefer a good Subway meal."

## PAILEY'S *pickle palace*

"I was eating the pickles from the cafeteria, and I noticed some holes in one of them. Upon further inspection, the pickle had a face on it. So, I captured the pickle in a photo and decided to publicize it on Snapchat in a private story with the name 'Pailey's Pickle Palace.' From then on, I got pickles every day, sifting through the pickle box in the cafeteria looking for pickles with holes. The amount of 'pickle pics' I have on my phone is getting a bit out of hand, but I really enjoy them."

*Pailey Vitale* (12)



Inflatable Car Man Pickle
Heart Pickle
Check Mark Pickle
Hedgehog Pickle
Happy Little Pickle

# ST E FOR *cold hard cash*

Story by: *J. Glunt* (12)

## Students spend afterschool hours making money

Student workers served up great food and even greater service to the local community in food service jobs.

"I work at Pounds Turkey Farm, which mainly involves stocking things like meat, pies, eggs, cheese, salads, and dog food," Isabel Ramos (12) said.

She also tackled messier tasks during the holiday season, otherwise known as the slimiest time of the year.

"I package turkey organs in November. We call it 'the giblet crew,'" Ramos said.

Beloved chains such as Subway let students and customers alike roll in the dough.

"One time, someone ordered every kind of meat on a huge sandwich." Blaize Adams (9) said. "It cost him $30."

Still, the sweetest job around belonged to Jack Konieczny (12).

"At Valos, I'm responsible for mixing and decorating chocolate, along with boxing and delivering products. The work environment is actually about the size of the high school library with a staff of older adults and young teenagers," Konieczny said.

Valos Chocolates provided treats to workers all over.

"There was once a company that ordered 40,000 boxes of chocolate-covered Oreos for their employees."

GOOD EATS

What do you pack for lunch every day?

"I pack a peanut butter sandwich, chocolate pudding, jello, yogurt, and water. I sometimes have cereal too, either Cheerios or Reese's Puffs."

*Natalie Swartz* (10)

Getting ready for the lunch crowd, cafeteria lady Alta Smith boils water for spaghetti day.

Photo: 1963 *Campus*, p. 27

# ALL about the COVER

Students showed off their interests by covering their water bottles, Chromebooks, calculators, and cell phones with stickers or putting on a creative case.

Five students shared their cell phone covers and the stories behind them.

### room for mushrooms

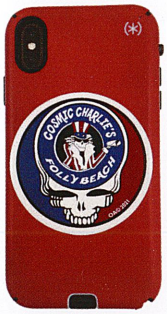
"I look for mushrooms in the woods to make steaks and other fun foods with."

*Isabelle Shirey* (12)

### grateful for music

"I went down to South Carolina, and they had a Grateful Dead-themed food truck. I bought a burrito, and they gave me a sticker."

*Garrett Seymour* (10)




### helmet

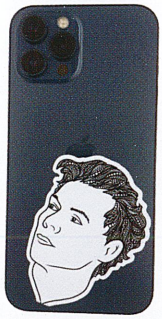
"They are three of the stickers off of my football helmet from this season."

*TJ Phelps* (9)

### styling Styles

"My friend Abbey Howes got the sticker for me for Christmas because she knows I love Harry Styles."

*Sophia Hranica* (9)



### sparkle

"I bought a bunch of phone cases at the Salvation Army in Apollo for $.25 each. I thought this one was really pretty."

*Jorgie Evans* (12)

Photo: *E. Mellinger* (11)

### Protection from the rain...

Just before Drum Major Camille Graham (12) directs the band to start the show, Abigail Mortensen (11) and Miranda Crofutt (11) keep eyes fixed for the cue. Mortensen said, "The hood was very beneficial to us, especially since it poured during the Alle-Kiski Festival." Mortensen manipulated saber, rifle, flag, and swing flag for the show.

*All under wraps...*

Just for a little holiday festivities, Andrew Habura (12) and Braden Hannay (12) wrapped Habura's 1999 Toyota Camry. Habura said, "It took us about three hours to get all the wrapping paper on to the car. We actually used duct tape to make it stick." Habura further said that the cover job lasted for only about six hours and that the Santa head almost hit Hannay's car.

Photo: *P. Fantaski* (fac)

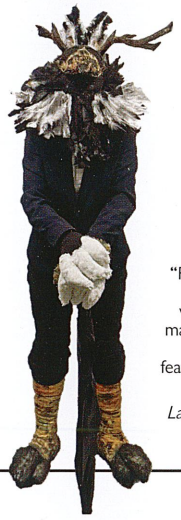
# Disguised for Halloween

"Liv put together my outfit. She had me dress as the horror doll Chucky."

*Xaiden Connelly* (10)

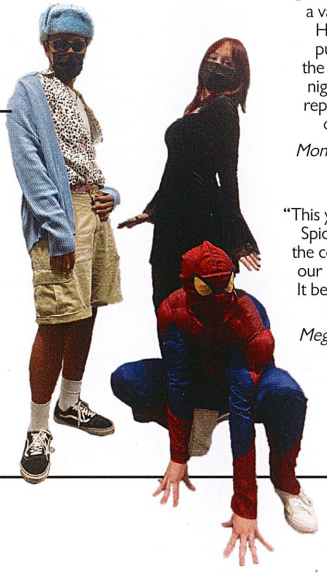
"Xaiden and I got together to dress in Chucky style. I was Tiffany."

*Olivia Croney* (12)



"For Halloween, I went as a wolpertinger. I made the costume myself out of feathers, paper, and cardboard."

*Lara McDaniel* (9)



"I went as Tyler the Creator. I put my outfit together by shopping at the Salvation Army in Apollo."

*Jameson Sales* (12)

"I chose to go as a vampiress for Halloween. I put together the costume the night before. It represented my own vibe."

*Monica Schmelzer* (12)

"This year, I went as Spiderman. I got the costume out of our attic at home. It belonged to my stepdad."

*Megan Westcoat* (12)

Photo: *S. Gracey* (fac)

*Ready to spread cheer...*

As a Spanish activity in Mrs. Laero's Spanish III class, her students dressed up to sing Christmas carols around the school. Ben Young (10) said, "Marion Zalenski bet me that I wouldn't walk around the school in the llama costume. He lost the bet." Singing Christmas carols during the holidays has become a tradition for the Spanish classes.

# LOOK UNDER the sequined hoods

Story: *G. Kraus* (11)

## Color guard explains how uniforms affect performances

The crowd fell silent as the opening movement of the marching band's show, *Beneath the Shifting Sands,* began. Hidden by fabrics of the sand dune and her own hood, Maycee Auden (12) raced across the turf, her feet gliding across the ground. She made a grand statement with an illusion, wowing the audience.

"We wanted a mysterious feel, and the uniforms this year did that really well. They also lacked the sleekness of our other uniforms, which I loved because of how out of the box it was," Auden said.

The color guard's uniforms had a big impact on the overall tone the show set. Auden has participated in color guard for 10 years and has performed in seven marching band shows.

Sidney Mowers (12) enjoyed this year's uniform more than any other.

"The only other time we had something like this year's uniform was in 2017 with *Echoes in Time.* We had a cape that looked really neat, but the *Beneath the Shifting Sands* uniform was so much comfier. I was surprised, though, that the hood did not get in the way," Mowers said.

Jayme Jones (2001 grad) and Lindsey Smith (2001 grad) dress as Raggedy Ann and Andy for Halloween.

Photo: 1999 *Campus*, p. 154

Describe the best *Hide 'N Seek* spot you've ever used.

"When I was five, there was a dresser with an empty bottom drawer in the bathroom that I could fit into. I could open it from the inside and use my feet to keep anyone from opening it while I was in there."

*Shayley Stump* (9)

# FRIENDS AND *members of court*

Discuss your nomination to Homecoming Court.

"I was excited and shocked when I learned that I made Homecoming Court."

*Natalie Bollinger* (12)

"I was very surprised and extremely grateful for the entire experience, especially having my team on the sidelines cheering for me and some even crying."

*Jocelyn Spencer* (12)

"It was a really fun experience, especially because I got to do it with my close friends, and I felt very excited and honored when they announced me to be on it."

*Emerson Johngarlo* (12)

"I really wanted to be on the Homecoming Court since my older sister was on it when I was a freshman. I was so excited when I heard my name called along with the other girls."

*Macey Hepler* (12)

"I was shocked and excited, obviously. I am friends with the girls on the court, and we already had a connection, so it was great to experience that with them."

*Carlee Kuhn* (12)

"Since the other girls and I were already such good friends, it made it so much more fun. When they announced my name to be on Court, I was honestly really surprised, but I felt really honored and was super excited for the opportunity."

*Nicole George* (12)

## BEST *advice*

"I TELL THE GIRLS ON THE HOMECOMING COURT TO JUST HAVE FUN WITH THE WHOLE EXPERIENCE. TAKE IN THE MOMENTS, AND HAVE A GOOD TIME WITH IT ALL."

*MS. LINDSAY SMITH* (fac)

# NIGHT *from every* ANGLE

Photo: *S. Smietana* (11)

### *Have to make the stop...*

As he bares down on the West Allegheny running back, Deshaun McBryde (11) attempts to keep the opponent from gaining positive yardage. McBryde said, "It was a great experience to be able to play in the homecoming game. I loved playing in front of the home crowd. A lot of people had us losing this game, but we came out and got the win." McBryde excelled on the defensive side of the ball as an outside linebacker.

### *Under the natural light...*

Due to the halftime festivities, Sydney Devey (12) and the rest of the marching band perform prior to kickoff. Devey said, "It's definitely different because of the environment compared to halftime, but I almost like it better because then we can enjoy the football game without having to rush and have a big halftime performance." Devey savored the opportunity to watch the entire thrilling game victory.

Photo: *S. Smietana* (11)

### *On to victory...*

On the parade route from the Intermediate School to the football field, Summer Fairman (12) helps lead the cheerleaders to the final destination. "The Homecoming Parade is something I look forward to doing every year. I like having all three squads working together and getting everyone hyped up before the game," Fairman said. She indicated that the Homecoming Game and festivities represented one her most favorite events in which she participated.

Photo: *S. Smietana* (11)

# NEW MEANING IN *field of dance*

Due to COVID-19 precautions, the Homecoming Dance relocated to the football field. The students enjoyed refreshments, music, and dancing, primarily in the one end zone. High school secretary Mrs. Carly Roenigk helped chaperone the event and said, "I liked it a lot better outside on the field rather than in the gym. There was so much more space, and it wasn't as hot and crowded as it was in the gym. I think we should have Homecoming outside more often."

Photo: *C. Roland* (prin)

### *Hands up...*

Raising her arms, Natalie Bollinger (12) performs the Homecoming routine with the rest of the court. Bollinger said, "I got ideas for the routine from when I danced for a really long time, and I pieced together old dances." Bollinger enjoyed the kick-line most out of the entire routine.

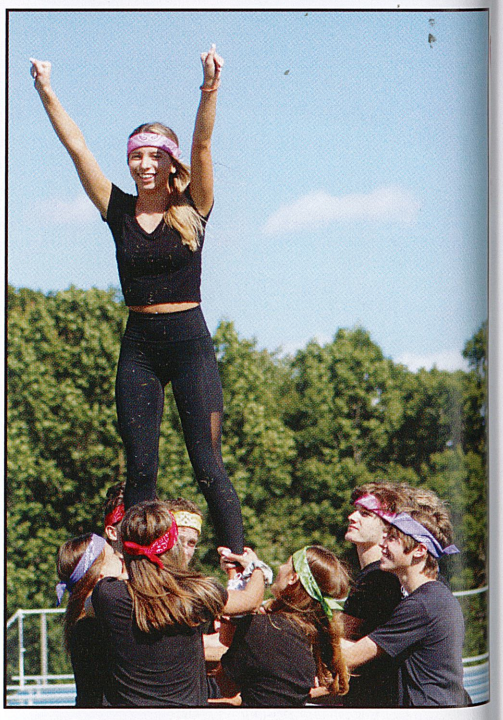


Photo: *S. Smietana* (11)

### Did I hear that right?

At halftime of the football game against West Allegheny, Jocelyn Spencer (12) hears the news that she garnered the most votes for Homecoming Queen. Spencer said, "I felt very shocked and extremely grateful." After the initial shock wore off, Spencer celebrated with her fellow cheerleaders on the sideline.

# oh boy...

# DID THAT JUST HAPPEN?

Photo: *F. Boyle* (12)

## Carefully chosen escorts make moment special

Story: *R. Frye* (11)

Cheering crowd. Awaiting faces. Eager minds. The Homecoming Court proudly paraded one by one before the football game on Friday, September 24. Every princess has to have a prince, and the Homecoming court held no exceptions.

"For my escort, I chose Holden Burkette (12) as my escort because we have been good friends since the upper elementary," Natalie Bollinger (12) said.

"I thought that choosing Cody Dykes (12) would make it fun for the both of us," Macey Hepler (12) said.

"Antonio Giordano (12) and I have been friends since elementary school and I thought that we would have the most fun together," Nicole George (12) said.

"I thought that Calvin Heinle (12) would make this experience even better," Emerson Johngarlo (12) said.

"I chose Jaden Robshaw (12) because I thought that he would have a good time doing it," Carlee Kuhn (12) said.

And, as Homecoming Queen, Jocelyn Spencer (12) said, "I chose Carter Dilts (12) because we are dating, and it only seemed right. But, for good measure, he is a nice and genuine person."

According to all six girls, the Homecoming Court could not have chosen better escorts for this happy occasion. They wanted to spend a very special moment with the special people in their lives.

## Big-Headed Student Section

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Photos: *A. Wilkins* (par)

*Collin Martin (12)...*

1 "During Ms. Richert's Broadcast Media class, I jokingly offered to be the mascot. Within a week, Enzo Morlacci (12) got the outfit for me and gave it to me an hour before the pep rally."

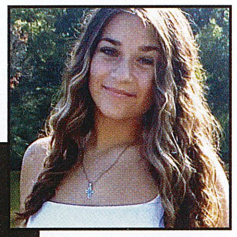
*Cody Dykes (12)...*

2 "It's always really cool to look up and see the big head of me throughout the game. It definitely is a good feeling seeing it as I come off and on the field."

## What family ties do you have to Homecoming?

"Being the crown bearer for the 2012 Homecoming Queen was a memorable moment because I was doing something that someone else did for my mom when she won Homecoming Queen."

*Morgan Hagofsky* (11)



CROWNED

After her crowning, Michelle Laedlein, mother of Jakob (12) and Morgan (11) Hagofsky, went on to teach third grade at East Primary.

Photo: 1995 *Campus*, pg. 48

Page 76 Photo: *Frank Rossi Photography*

### *Hold for eight...*

Within the first minute of the band's desert-themed show at the PIMBA Championships in Monroeville, Rebekah Frye (9) and Madalaine Scalise (10) execute an eight-count hold before their next choreography. Scalise said, "I remember learning this part during band camp. It's so difficult. It took me all season to become confident with it until it seemed natural to me." Both girls also spun on the flag and sabre lines.

### *Tribute to mom...*

After living much of his life in the New Castle area and other places far from Vandergrift, Elijah Sowerby (12) discovered that he had family roots in the local area. "I got the tattoo on my neck to show appreciation for my mom. I recently have connected back with her, and I wanted to let her know how much she means to me." Sowerby actually withdrew from the school in early December to re-enroll in New Castle High School.

### *Hot under the collar...*

After a horrific dirt bike accident, Jordan Cable (11) had an X-ray taken at Children's Hospital in Pittsburgh. Cable said, "I ended up breaking my clavicle. It took over three months to heal, and I still have to deal with it in my everyday life." Since then, he still competed in the AWRCS circuit all across Pennsylvania and Ohio.

# PEOPLE

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## *Mr. Kiski Area*

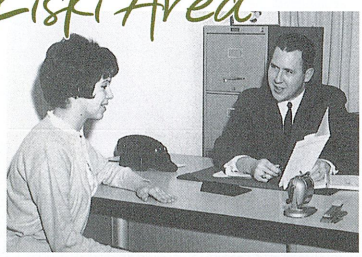

Photo: 1963 *Campus* Page 7

### *Bill, by the book...*

Mr. Bill Miller worked for the Kiski Area district for 41 years as a teacher, coach, and administrator. His career began at Vandergrift High School in 1950 as a teacher. When KA became a district in 1962, Mr. Miller moved on to the high school where he began as a guidance counselor and eventually became the high school principal. He finished his career as Assistant to the Superintendent for Secondary Education.

Upon his retirement, he remained active serving as President of the Kiski Area Education Foundation and a member of the Kiski Area School Hall of Fame Committee. His unbridled enthusiasm for all things blue and gold earned him the nickname, "Mr. Kiski Area."

On September 21, 2014, the school administration officially renamed the high school library the William K. Miller Library & Media Center.

**59 YEARS AGO**

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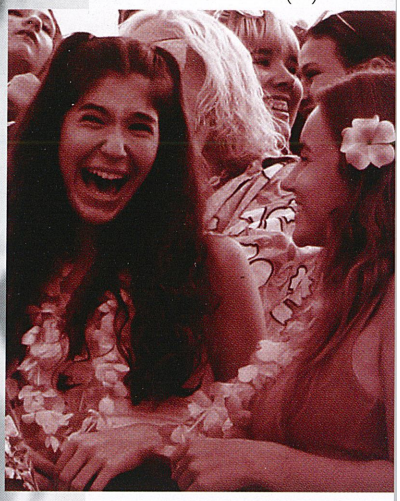
Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)



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## *Good times...*

Dressed in their best beach garb at the home game against the Butler Tornadoes, Reilly Sullivan (10) and Makenna MacLean (10) enjoy a laugh together. MacLean said, "Of all the themed nights that we had for football, I liked dressing up in beach apparel the most. It reminded me of spending time with Reilly at Hilton Head, NC over the summer." With a score of 21-7, the varsity team dominated in their first win of the regular season on August 27.

Photo: *P. Fantaski* (fac)

"I'd pick Ethan Bombalski (9) since he is the present and the future of the Kiski Area hockey team. I feel very good about where the team is headed as the torch gets handed over to the younger players on the team."

*Aiden Sites* (12)

Who has had a big influence on your life and how?

BEST *advice*

"BEFORE COLLEGE AND IN COLLEGE, PUT THE TIME AND EFFORT IN, AND IT WILL BE WORTH IT IN THE END."

*ALEXIS LANDER (12)*

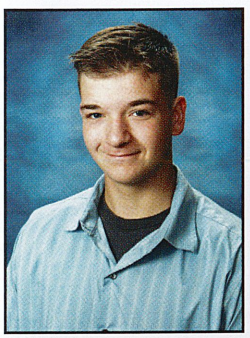
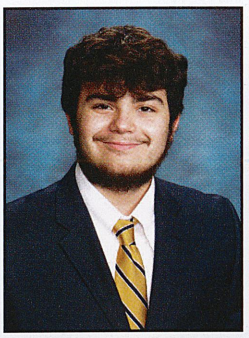
*Isaiah Adams*

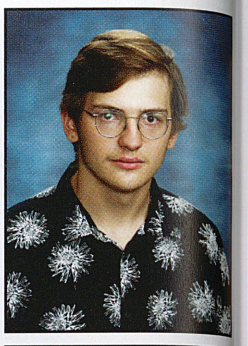
*Adam Altman*
Hockey

*Faith Andree*
Soccer, Key Club, Student Council, NHS, SHOUT Club, Academic Quiz Team, Spanish Club, Environmental Club, Chorus

*Chloe Arbaugh*
Cheerleading, Chorus

*Dylan Arner*
Marching Band, Wind Ensemble, Jazz A, Jazz B, Pit Orchestra, Stage Crew (musical and fall drama), Key Club, NHS, Computer Science Club



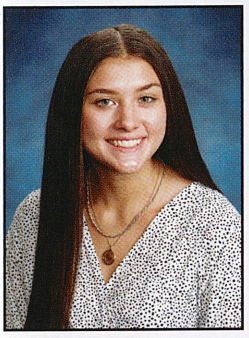
*Maycee Auden*
Key Club, NHS, Active for Animals, Color Guard, Winter Guard

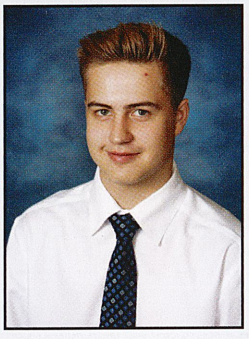
*Ashlee Bair*
Softball

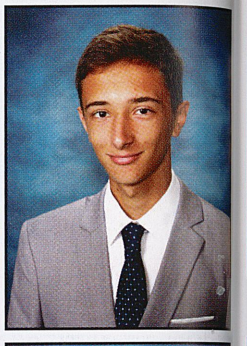
*Aidan Bardine*
Hockey

*Julian Barr*

*Owen Barr*







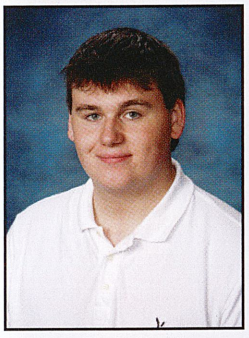
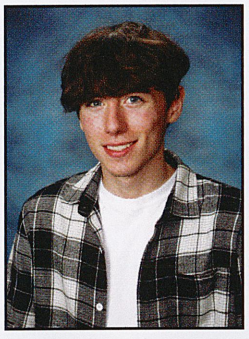
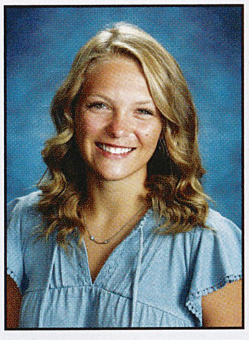
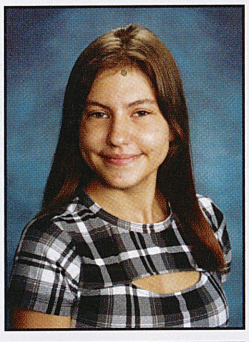
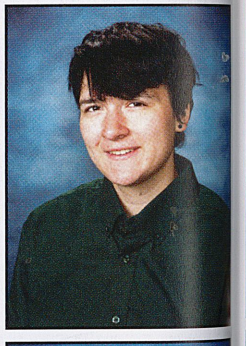
*Dylan Barry*

*Anthony Bechtold*

*Emma Beck*
Mock Trial, NHS, Volleyball, Rugby, Basketball, Track, Active for Animals, Best Buddies, Key Club, Regional Art Competitor

*Shelby Berk*
Mock Trial, NWCTC Culinary

*Jackson Bielek*
Yearbook, GMK

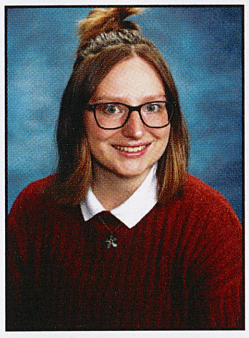
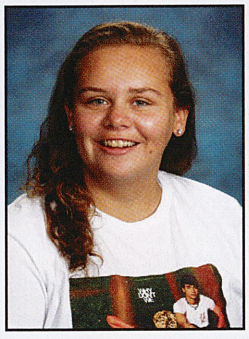
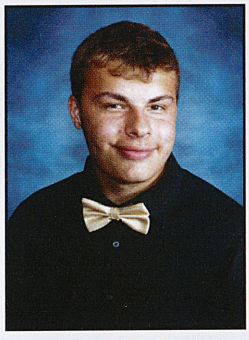
*Natalie Bollinger*
Cheerleading, Student Council, Key Club, Active for Animals

*Katelyn Bombalski*
Tennis, Key Club, Student Council, Environmental Club, NHS, Stage Crew, SHOUT Club, Yearbook

*Kayley Bowser*
Marching Band, Winter Guard, Treble Voices, Symphonic Choir

*Nicholas Boylstein*

*Anayah'Skye Brackman*
NWCTC Carpentry, SHOUT Club, Gender/ Sexuality Alliance

*Shannon Brown*
Cavalier Choir, Cavalier Singers, Fall Play Cast, Key Club, NHS, Quiz Team, Senior Committee, SHOUT Club, Show Choir, Social Studies Club, Musical, Stage Crew, Student Council, Student Store, Virtual Singing Ensemble

*John Brunermer*

*Bryant Brzozowski*
Fall Drama, Musical, Chorus

*Devin Burkett*

*Dejah Burnett*
Basketball, NWCTC Health Occupations

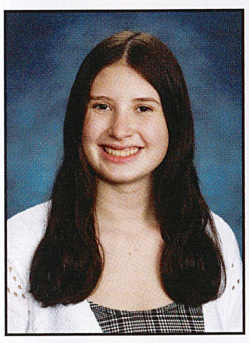
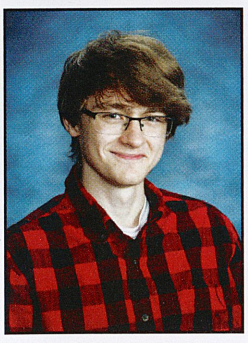
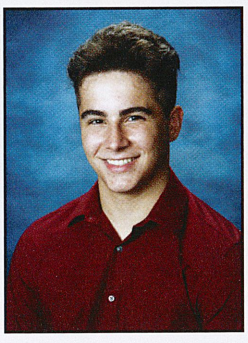
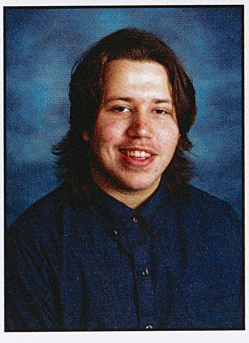





Photo: *G. Coulter* (par)

*The rock...*

Madisyn Coulter (12) poses in front of the Slippery Rock University rock pile while on a recent visit. "I've always wanted to go to SRU, so when I got admitted, I quickly committed as Slip is my dream school," Coulter said. Coulter committed to Slippery Rock as a Graphics Design major.

## mater PALS

Faculty and students to attend the same colleges and universities.

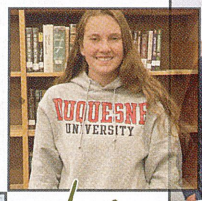
*Ms. Lindo*

**University of Pittsburgh**

"I am going to Pitt because it's free since my father works there. Also, they have a great psychology program."

*Shawn Franklin* (12)

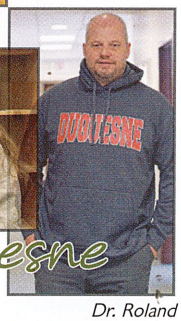
*pitt*




**Duquesne**

"I chose to attend Duquesne because it is close to home and has a good pharmacy program."

*Carli Luciano* (12)




*Dr. Roland*

*duquesne*

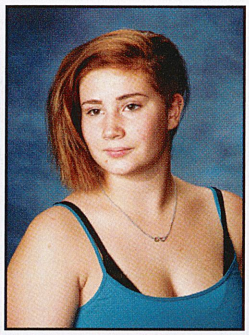
*Mrs. Taliani*

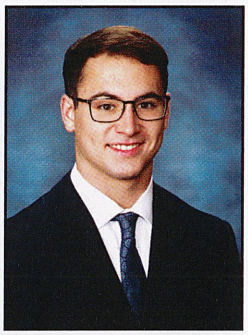
**Penn State**

"I chose Penn State Beaver because it's the perfect distance from home, and the class sizes fit me really well."

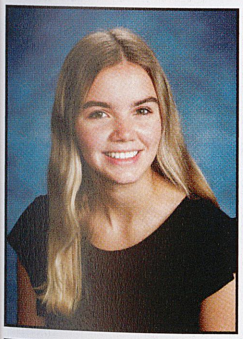
*Maggie Pulice* (12)

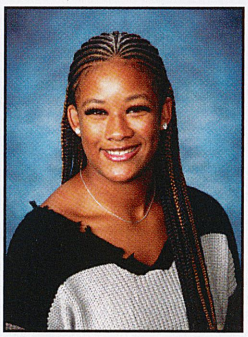
*penn state*

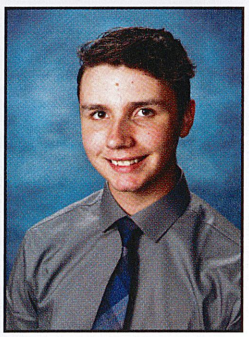




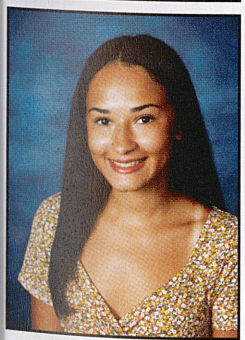
*Caitlyn Burton*
*Hannah Carr*
*Michael Carrarini*
*Football, Cavalier Choir, Cavalier Singers, Musical, Stage Crew, Academic Quiz Team, NHS*

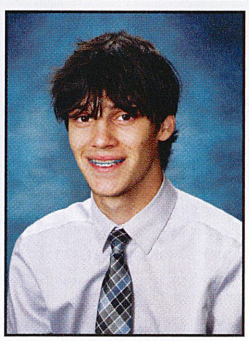






*Brooklyn Castleberry*
*Marching Band, Musical, Yearbook, Swim Team, Fall Drama, Concert Band*
*Nyasia Chambers*
*Track*
*Matthew Claus*





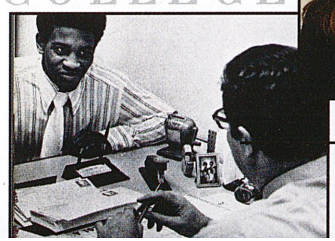
*Gianna Clayton*
*Cheerleading, Student Council, SHOUT Club*
*Matthew Clinger*
*Hockey*

"I had to write a lot of essays for the applications, and that was annoying. But, it was satisfying when all of the applications were complete and submitted."

*Ann Zezyus* (12)

Describe the most stressful part of the college application process.

COLLEGE



Senior Bob Banks gets college advice from his counselor Mr. McDermott.

Photo: 1973 *Campus*, p. 82

*Edward Coleman*

*Jack Coleman*
*Swimming, Track, NHS, Key Club, Senior Committee, Student Council, Academic Quiz Team*

*Samuel Coleman*

*Madison Coniglio*

*Cheyenne Conn*
*Symphonic Wind Ensemble, Stage Crew*

*Ethan Connor*
*Wrestling*

*Faith Cook*
*Key Club, Environmental Club, Student Council, CLC, Academic Quiz Team, NHS, Track, Cheerleading*

*Madisyn Coulter*
*Yearbook, NHS, Cheerleading*

*Amber Coutch*

*Elizabeth Crawford*
*Student Council, Key Club, NHS, SHOUT Club, Social Studies Club, Soccer, Musical, Cavalier Choir*

*Olivia Croney*
*Cheerleading, SHOUT Club, Key Club, NHS, Stage Crew*

*Campbell Curry*
*Soccer, Golf, Track*

*Kamryn Daugherty*
*Tennis*

*Dawson Deal*

*Thaddeus Decock*
*Ski Club, Horticulture Club, Bible Club, Trap Shooting Team, Social Studies Club, French Club*

*Ian Delbene*
*NWCTC Auto Body*

*Audrey DeTurck*
*Marching Band, Winter Guard, Math Team, NHS*

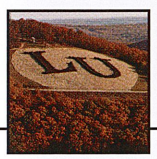
*Sydney Devey*
*Marching Band, Winter Guard*

*Carter Dilts*
*Wrestling*

*Jazmine Dlesk*

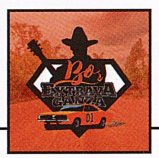
# ANYWHERE IN *the whole USA*

**You finally land your dream job in your dream state. Other than PA, which state would you pick to spend the rest of your life?**



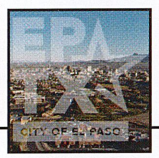

"So much of my family lives or has lived near Lynchburg, VA. I really like the culture there, like Poplar Forest where Thomas Jefferson lived. The history is really rich down there"

*Elisabeth Stevens* (12)




"I went to Holden, LA this past April to attend a hugh music festival called *Bo's Extravaganza*. Everybody that I met down there made me feel welcome. I can see myself calling that home."

*Mikayla McDonald* (12)




"Even though I've never been there, I would love to set up life in El Paso, TX. I have a lot of respect for its history, its music, and its folk tales. I would love to get a job in the animated film industry there."

*Treyden Watterson* (12)

"I would love to live in Ocean City, MD. I have a bunch of family on my mom's side who live there. Beyond that, who wouldn't want to get up in the morning and walk out the door right on the beach?"

*Dylan Hutcherson* (12)

"I was born in Florida, and I lived in Nevada for a few years. I would pick Vegas since there's so much to do there. Also, I have a lot of family who live there like aunts, uncles, grandparents, and cousins."

*Buddy Riggle* (12)

Photo: *A. Celo* (11)

### Hot wheels...

While Linzey Miller gets ready to leave for the day, she shows off her 2009 Audi Quattro Convertible. Miller said, "Unfortunately, it's winter, because in warm weather, I always ride it with the top down." Miller liked to push the boundaries of the speed limit in her car.

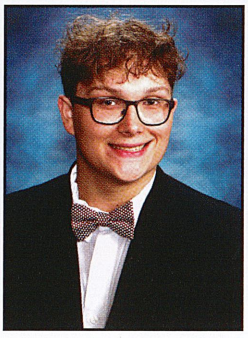
### Boots made for walking...

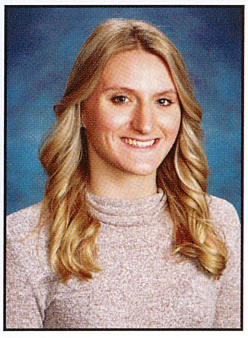
In preparation for the year, Laszlo Dickey (12) and Sergeant Serakowski lace up his new boots. Dickey said, "We only wear our boots when we're in our uniforms. At the end of the year, we need to give them back." After graduation, Dickey planned to go into the Army to become a 91 Bravo.

## PROUD TO serve my country

### Fit to be tied...

In room 412, SGT Serakowski fits Deashaun Rhine (12) for a new uniform. Rhine said, "Every time we have an A/B day, we wear our uniforms. I feel that sergeant treats us a bit differently when we have them on. It's almost like the uniform gets us more respect." After high school, Rhine hoped to enter the Air Force, even if only to allow them to help him pay for college to become a high school support teacher.





*Madison Dodek*
*Cavalier Choir, Show Choir, Musical, Key Club*

*Johnathan Drahos*
*Football, Cavalier Choir, Musical*

*Jenna Dubac*
*NWCTC Cosmetology*

## MOVING ON

Future Teachers of America members prepare for their future career while engaging with their young pupils.

Photo: 1976 *Campus*, p. 63

What post graduation plans do you have?

"I am going to get a bachelors degree in Criminal Justice and then go to the PA State Police Academy to be a state trooper."

*Garrett Fryar* (12)

*Brayden Dunmire*
*Football, Basketball, Key Club, NHS*

*Cody Dykes*
*Football, Track, Academic Quiz Team, Key Club, NHS, Math Team, Trap Shooting Team, Ski Club*

*Ashley Eckenrod*

*Summer Fairman*
*Cheerleading, Chorus, Key Club, Active for Animals, SHOUT Club*

*Michael Ferraccio*

*Chloe Finley-Guido*
*Volleyball, Key Club*

*Christian Finley-Guido*

*Rowan Fitch*
*Winter Guard, Color Guard, Shout Club, Stage Crew, Dance Team, Treble Ensemble, Symphonic Voices*

*Jessalynn Fitzpatrick*
*Stage Crew, Shout Club, Dance Team, Treble Ensemble, Symphonic Voices*

*Anthony Ford*

*Hunter Ford*

*Kara Fouse*
*Bowling Team, Cavalier Choir, Symphonic Choir, Show Choir, Office Aide*

*Shawn Franklin*
*Mock Trial, Musical, Bible Club*

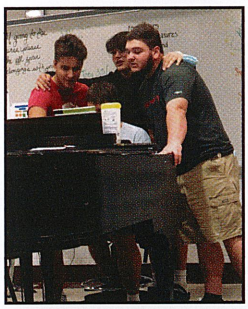
*Dayus Fruechtel*

*Garrett Fryar*
*Musical, Chorus, Track, Winter Track, Golf, Football, Wrestling, NHS, Fall Drama, Stage Crew (Musical and Fall Drama)*

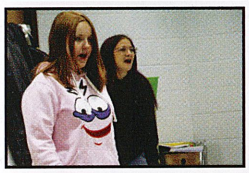
# THE MAGICAL *impact of* MUSIC

## Music acts as magic elixir in many seniors' lives

Story: *M. Knapp* (11)

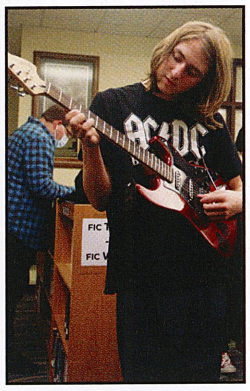


"During Lunch and Learn, Landon Newell (12) would call up the sheet music for a song on his phone and start playing it. Jackson Newell (11), Bryant Brzozowski (12), and I will sing along. Landon is a big Billy Joel fan, so I would guess we were singing along to *Piano Man*."
*Garrett Fryar* (12)



"In Show Choir, we were preparing for our fall concert singing *Walking on Sunshine*. As I recall, the concert went very well. When I go off to college, I hope to join a singing group for fun, if the college I go to has one."
*Kara Fouse* (12)

"I have enjoyed Show Choir all of my four years in high school. The environment and the people have made it fun. The songs we sang my freshman year really stand out as the ones that I enjoyed the most."
*Katie Kiebler* (12)



"During a Lunch and Learn, I was strumming a few notes from *Smoke on the Water* by Deep Purple. I am not very good on the guitar, but I've become really passionate about learning how to play. I hope to get my own guitar in the near future."
*Jacob Robbibaro* (12)

Photos: *G. Wilferd* (11)

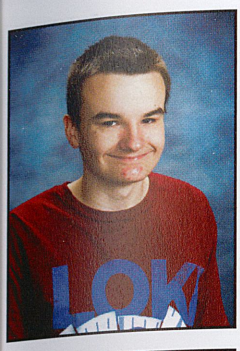
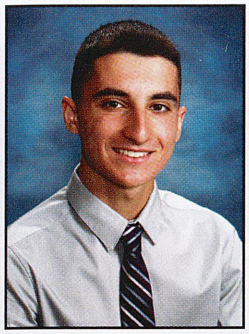
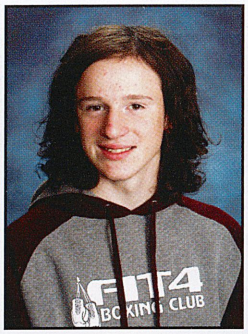
Whether belonging to a school, church, or community choir, playing an instrument in the band, or just simply listening to music in the car, music had an impact on everyone.

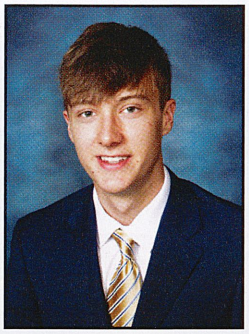
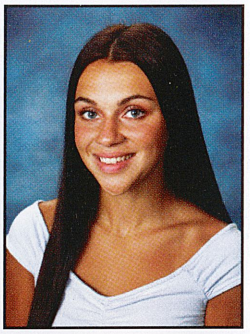
Music helped people break out of their shells to become a part of something that they could share with new people.

"When I was young, I was bullied for a condition that I was born with that I can't control. I had no one. Then, music came along. I finally realized that what I was actually looking for wasn't to fit in or to quit being bullied, but to stand out for something other than my Tourette's," Bryant Brzozowski (12) said.

Music truly could bring purpose to someone's life. Many seniors wanted to move on and pursue music as their career.

Senior Landon Newell chose to continue his love of music in college. Newell said, "I love how voices come together to sing something beautiful. I've been working with the kids since I was little, so I always knew that I wanted to be an educator. It was later on that I found out that I wanted to be a chorus teacher."

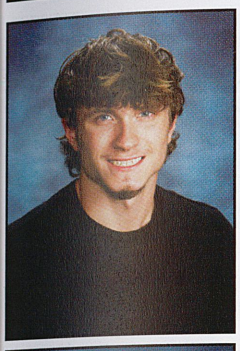
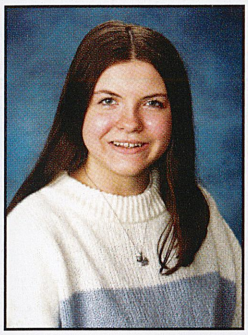
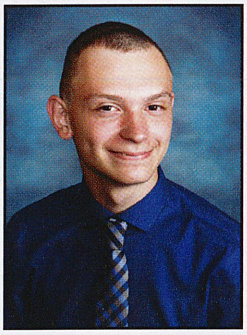
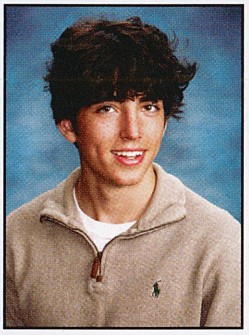
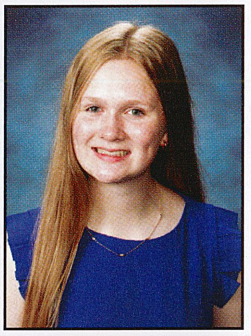
*William Fryer*
*NWCTC Multimedia*

*Geno Gallippi*
*Hockey, Golf*

*Cole Ganter*

*Matthew Gartley*
*Track*

*Nicole George*
*Key Club, NHS, Student Council, Active for Animals, Cavalier Choir*

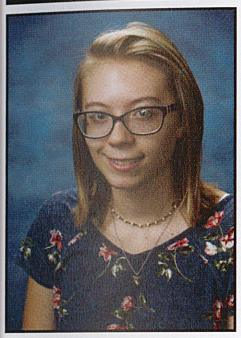
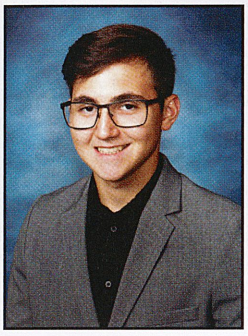
*Donovan Gibbon*
*NWCTC Carpentry*

*Lillian Gibbon*
*Choir, Softball, Best Buddies, FBLA*

*John Gibbons*

*Antonio Giordano*
*Cross Country, Track, Wrestling*

*Jordan Glunt*
*Marching Band, Wind Ensemble, Jazz Ensemble A, Musical, NHS, Yearbook, WIRC Club, SHOUT Club, Spanish Club, Bible Club, FACS Club*

*Chelsey Goheen*

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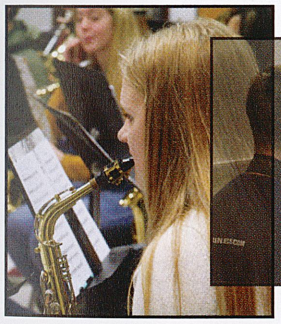
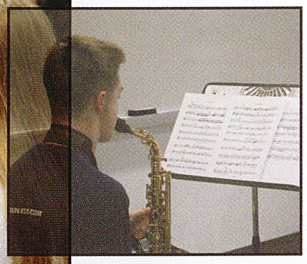
*Dalin Graham*
*Baseball, Wrestling*

"My music teacher gave me a sax in fourth grade because he asked me if I wanted to play an instrument. I love playing jazz, so I would never switch."
*Jordan Glunt* (12)

"I began playing the saxophone in fifth grade, and there are four different saxes that I can play. My love of music has made me also get decent at the flute, clarinet, and piano, too. I ultimately want Pityk's job."
*Cooper Sluka* (12)

BEST *advice*

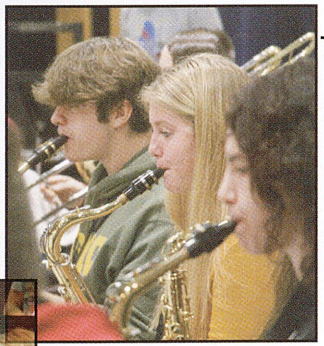
"JUST DON'T BE AFRAID UNDER THE LIGHTS. TRUST ALL OF YOUR PRACTICE; YOU'VE DONE IT A THOUSAND TIMES."

*JONATHAN SHAFFER* (12)

# *Instrumentally speaking...*

*You've played it for years. When did you first pick up your chosen instrument?*

"In fifth grade I played clarinet. Then, in sixth grade, I switched to bass clarinet. I want to learn to play more instruments when I get the time."
*Pailey Vitale* (12)



Photos: *G. Wilferd* (11)

"I started playing tenor saxophone in seventh grade. I had played the clarinet for three years before that. I made the switch for jazz band. I don't have any interest in going back to the clarinet."
*Camille Graham* (12)

"When I was about four or five years old, I picked up a flute and would blow into it. It didn't make any sounds, but I thought I was pretty cool walking around blowing into a flute. I can also play the alto sax."
*Isabel Ramos* (12)

Describe the best part of drum majoring?

"The coolest part of being drum major was seeing the progress of the band from band camp to the last performance. It was easier to notice than it was from in the band."

*Camille Graham* (12)

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Senior marching band members get a tan and prepare for their final marching band season during a sunny day at band camp.

Photo: 1986 *Campus*, p. 12

### *Catching Crosby at his craft...*

While kicking back for a Sunday matinee Penguins game, Hannah Kastelic (12) and her mother enjoy a girls' day out. Kastelic said, "I wanted to take my mom to a game and spend the day with her since she hasn't been to a game for quite awhile." Even though the Penguins lost to the L.A. Kings 4-3, Kastelic and her mom had a great time anyway.

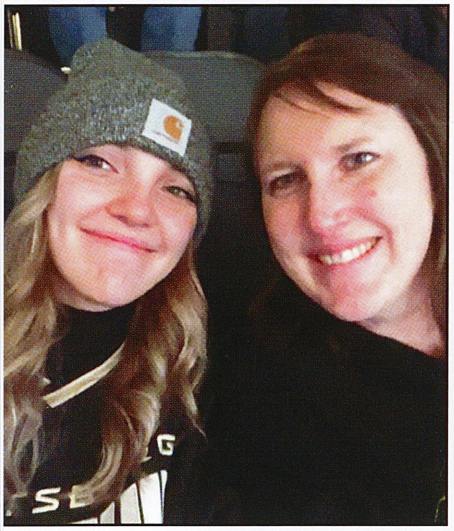


Photo: *H. Kastelic* (12)

### *Met my hero...*

Prior to the start of the Pirates' game, Madi Leith (12) snags an autograph from Dodger pitcher Brock Stewart. Leith said, "This game occurred a couple of years ago. I don't think Stewart is with the Dodgers anymore." After the game, Leith and her father spotted her favorite player, Dodger third baseman Justin Turner, on the Clemente Bridge and snapped a picture with him also.

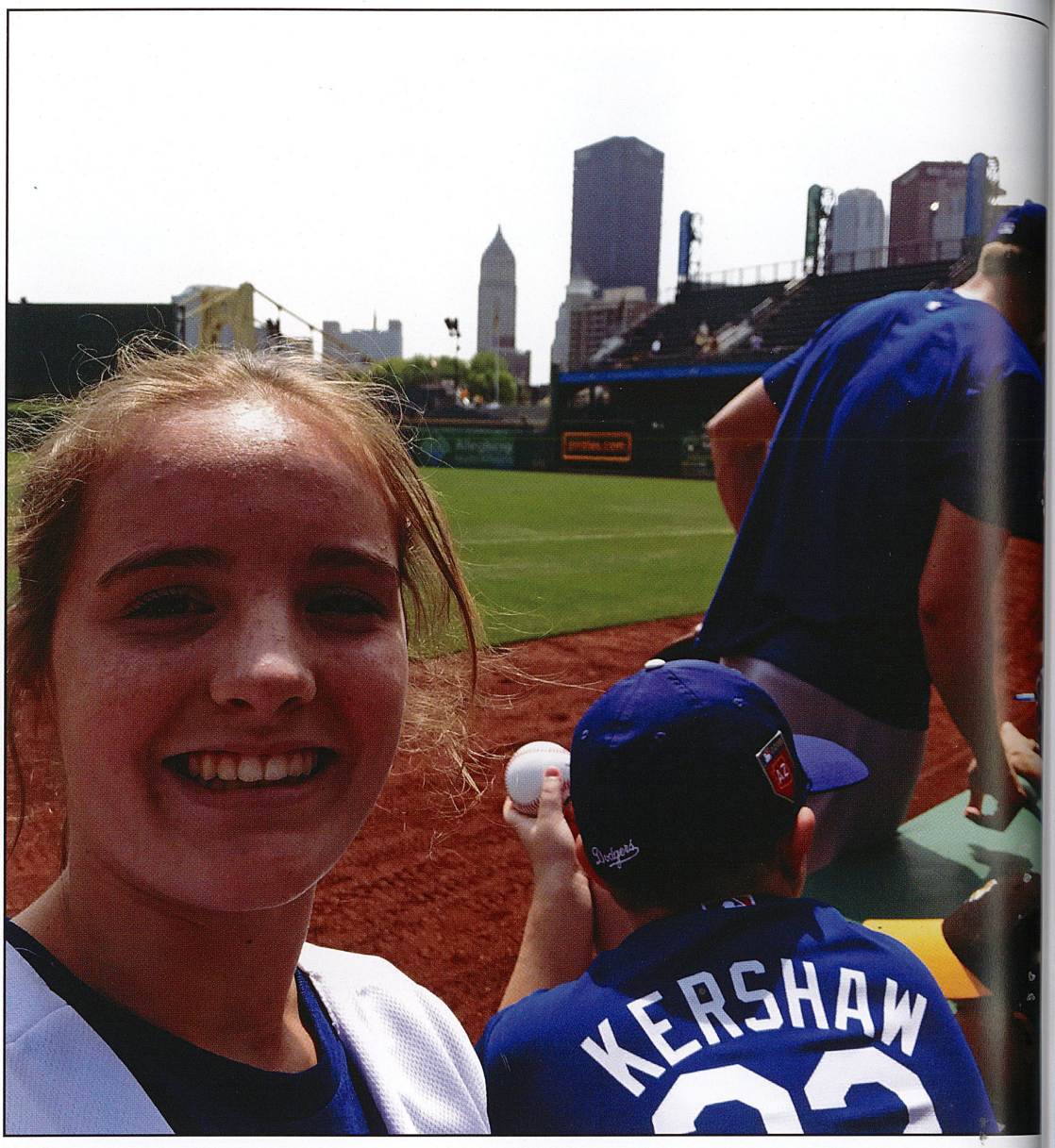


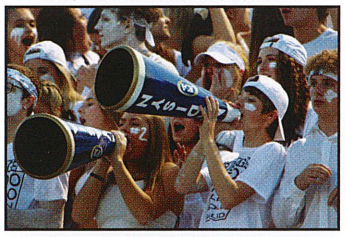

Photo: *M. Leith* (12)

# BLEED BLUE, *black and gold*

Story: *S. Zanotti* (11)

*Senior class demonstrates pride in Pittsburgh, school*

Featuring: Jaden Robshaw (12)



### *Shout it out loud...*

During the Franklin Regional game, Jaden Robshaw (12) dons his whites for the theme of the night and shouts into the megaphone. "We have three megaphones that get passed around between about six of us," Robshaw said. He attended all of the football team's games, both home and away.

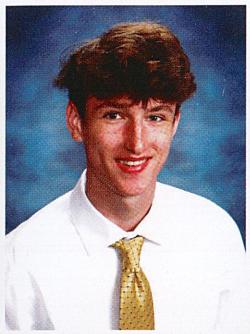
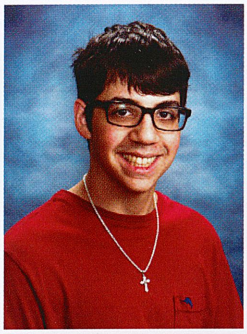
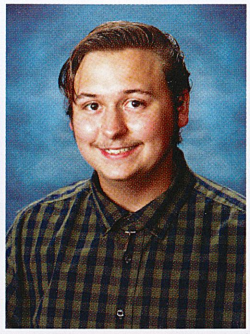
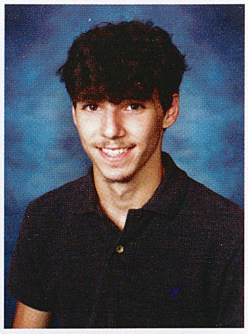
While Pittsburghers represented the city that bleeds black and gold... the senior class bled blue and gold.

Die hard hockey fan Johnathan Drahos (12) reflected on his experiences at Penguins games, "I'm always stoked to watch them play and it's always fun seeing a fight on the ice. It gets everyone in the crowd excited," Drahos said. "It's crazy to hear all of the Pens fans cheer and show all their spirit for the team."

Students demonstrated that same ecstatic energy at school sporting events, too, as school spirit ran strong among the Class of '22.

Deashaun Rhine (12), who appeared at every Friday night home game, said, "The energy at football games is crazy. Whenever we score or whenever we make a great play, everybody gets so hyped. No matter if you're a freshman or a senior, we all get along being in the student section. You can just feel the excitement the whole way through the crowd," Rhine said.

From dressing up in the designated theme to the pregame cook outs, seniors celebrated every football game with all they had. The team never lacked the energy needed to play to their fullest, thanks to the outstanding support offered by their student section.

*Bailee Gray*
*Track, Stage Crew*

*Luke Gray*
*Hockey*

*Andrew Habura*
*NWCTC Welding*

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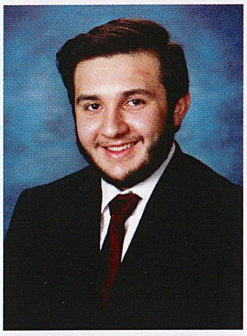
*Jakob Hagofsky*



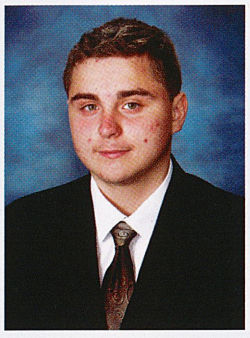
*Madyson Hall*
*Softball, SHOUT Club, Key Club, Active for Animals, Best Buddies*

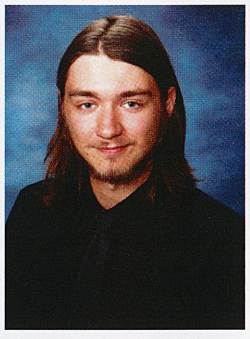
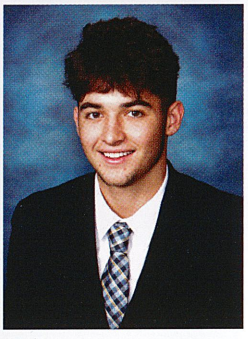
*Alexandra Hamilton*

*Zachary Hamm*
*Mock Trial, Spanish Club*

*Riley Hanan*
*Basketball*

*Katherine Hand*



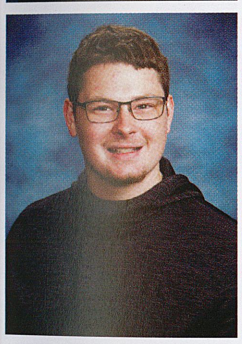
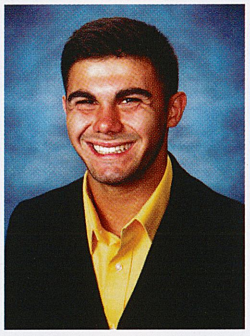
*Braden Hannay*

*Lucas Harold*

*Megan Hastings*
*Swimming, Environmental Club, Key Club, NHS, WIRC, Spanish Club, SHOUT Club*

*Kayden Hayes*

*Calvin Heinle*
*Football, Basketball*

*Tyler Held*

*Chad Hepler*
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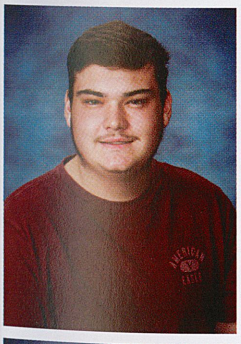
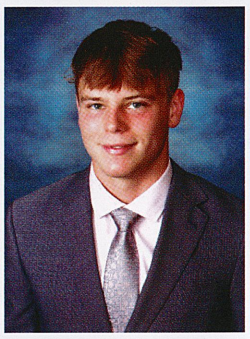
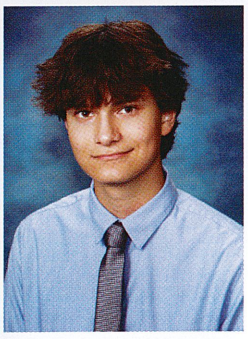
*Macey Hepler*
*Basketball, Key Club, Track, NHS, Volleyball, Environmental Club, Winter Track*

*Gwendolyn Hessom*

*Diesel Hill*
*NWCTC Advanced Manufacturing*

*Mathew Hilty*
*Football, Track*

*Graham Holden*
*Office Aide*

BEST *advice*

"AS A TRUE FAN OF THE PENGUINS, I KNOW I NEED TO SUPPORT THE TEAM DURING THEIR HIGH TIMES AND THEIR LOWS."

*LUKE GRAY (12)*

*Haley Hudzick*
*Track*

*Jordan Hutchinson*
*SHOUT Club, Student Council, NHS, Cavalier Choir, Show Choir, Fall Drama, Musical*

When did you attend your first Pittsburgh sporting event?

"My first game was a Pirates baseball game when I was 12. I remember that they won, the nachos I got were awesome, and I had a good time."

*Deashaun Rhine* (12)

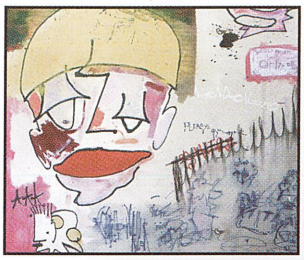
BURGH FANS

Casey Riggle and Christina Held (2019 grads) stop for a picture prior to going to a Pirates game.

Photo: 2017 *Campus*, p. 28

# We made this, all on our own...

With her mechanical pencil in hand, Elisabeth Stevens (12) drew a sketch to practice her ability to draw hair. Stevens said, "I tend to draw cartoonish characters over anything else. I most enjoy working on the eyes." Stevens attended Studio Art II with Mrs. Lynch in room 126.



Over the summer, Jake Motosicky (12) created an abstract/ reality mixed media drawing. "I wanted to portray a casual day of my life in this drawing. There are a lot of characters in this piece that represent so many different people I see daily," Motosicky said.

As a project in Mr. Yuhasz's Ceramics class, Faith Boyle (12) created a colorful unicorn. Boyle said, "I chose to make a unicorn because they're magical. I have a ton of unicorns in my room at home."

At the 2021 Butler County Fair, Nicholas Hughes (12) stopped by the blacksmithing booth to create a horseshoe heart. Hughes said, "While running a Steelers T-shirt booth, I had time to make this piece. I gave it to a girl."

### Right frame of mind...

For an in-class assignment in his carpentry class at NWCTC, Donovan Gibbon (12) measures out the door for the bottom of a cabinet. Gibbon said, "After we finish the project, I plan to take the cabinet home and use it to store some supplies that I have downstairs." Gibbon had worked on the project for a month and expected it to take one more month to finish.

Photo: *J. Motosicky* (12)

*Thomas Iseman*

*Emerson Johngarlo*
*Soccer, Symphonic Voices, CLC, Key Club, Active for Animals, SHOUT Club, NHS*

*Logan Johnson*
*Football, Basketball*

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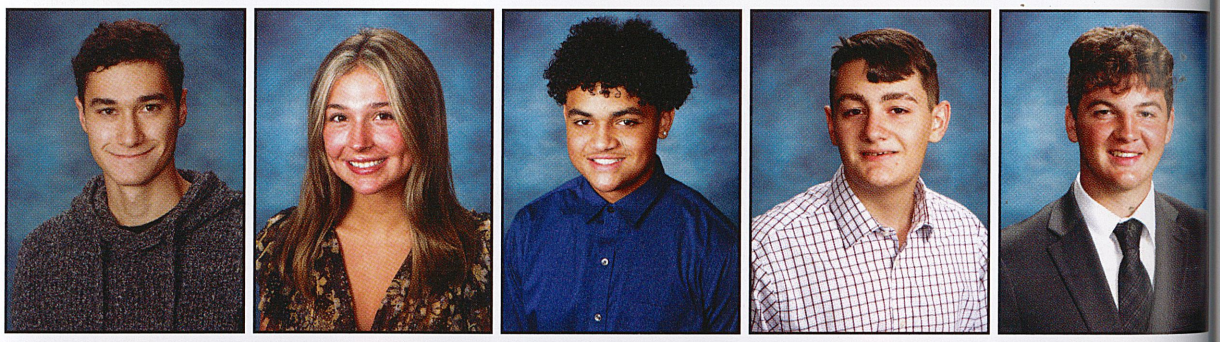
*Zachary Jordan*
*Active for Animals, Cavalier Choir, Key Club, Soccer, Symphonic Voices, Tennis*



*Hannah Kastelic*
*Cavalier Choir, Cavalier Singers, Math Team, Ski Club, SHOUT Club, Key Club, NHS*

*Karly Keller*
*Soccer, Basketball, Student Council, Key Club, NHS, CLC, Track*

*Justin Keys*

*Katie Kiebler*
*Chorus, Musical, Stage Crew, Track*

*Katrina Koenig*

*Jack Konieczny*
*Yearbook Photography, Golf*

*Carlee Kuhn*
*Volleyball, CLC, Ski Club*

*Savannah Kunkle*

*Alexis Lander*

*Donovin Lauschus*
*Football*

Photo: *G. Wilferd* (11) Inset Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

### *Tables turned...*

In Mr. Ridgeway's Advanced Materials class, Mason Ross (12) marks his coffee table measurements. Ross said, "I plan to use the table in our man cave at home for now, and then, I plan to move it to wherever I end up after schooling." He made the table over a span of 20 weeks.

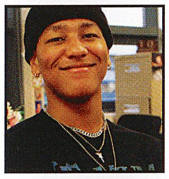
## We all have stuff to do at home. I'd give up this chore in a hot minute.

## *can't stand* IT

### *The dishes...*

"Even though we have a dishwasher, we have to wash all the dirty pots. I hate when the water gets filthy dirty."

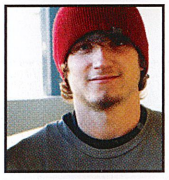
*Madison Venturini* (12)



### *The garbage...*

"I can't stand going around the house to gather all the garbage from the cans in each room. It always stinks."

*Jameson Sales* (12)



### *Mowing grass...*

"I earn extra bucks by mowing grass around Vandergrift. For that reason, I can't stand having to mow my own."

*Donovan Gibbon* (12)

### *The laundry...*

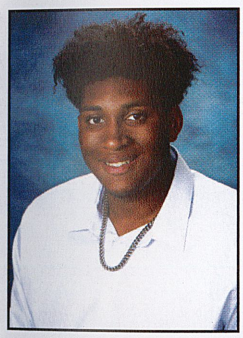
"My mom is constantly on me about my laundry. I like to wear clothes only once. She thinks differently."

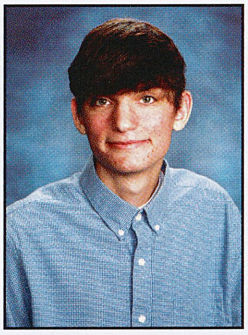
*Christian Guido* (12)

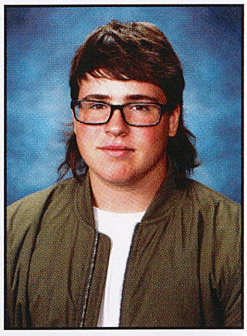
### *The litter box...*

"It smells so much. Also, Harley, Jinkx, NayNay, and Screech won't leave me alone while I'm doing it."

*Lindsey Pusateri* (12)



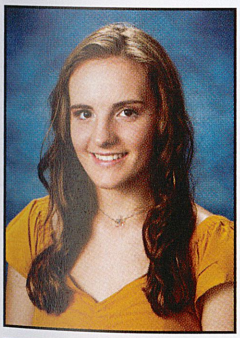




*Brandon Lawhorn Moore*
*Football, Basketball, Jazz Band*

*Logan Lawrence*

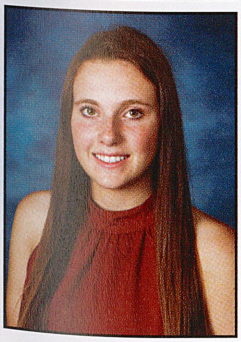
*Sebastian Laws*

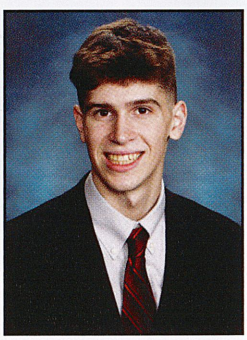


*Madison Leith*
*Volleyball, Softball, Musical, Fall Drama, Chorus*

*McKenna Linhart*

*Rose Lloyd*
*Art Club, Key Club, Drama Club, Active for Animals, Computer Science Club, Environmental Club, Horticulture Club, CAVs Slam Club, SHOUT Club, Chinese Club, Social Studies Club, FACS Club*





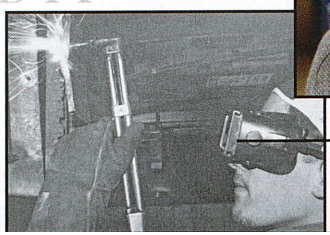
*Carli Luciano*
*Soccer, Stage Crew, Key Club, Environmental Club, Ski Club, Women's Choir, Cavalier Choir*

*Joseph Lukas*
*Basketball, Track, Key Club, Student Store, SHOUT Club, Chinese Club*

"I started 3D printing over the summer, and I like to make little things to give to my friends. I have made little animals that they seem to like. I got the 3D printer for my birthday."

*Megan Hastings* (12)

## DIY Discuss your DIY projects.



Jerry Ryan (1996 grad) welds while at the Vo-Tech.

Photo: 1996 *Campus*, p. 114

*Brady Lutes*
*Bowling, Trap Shooting Team*

*Katrina Mangini*
*NWCTC Culinary, Bible Club*

*Adaleine Marangoni*
*Marching Band, Chorus*

*Collin Martin*

*Abbigail Mason*
*Something, Something, Something, Something Something and Something.*

*Dylan McCandless*

*Kara McCarthy*

*Mikayla McDonald*
*Symphonic Voices*

*Seth McGranahan*
*NWCTC Carpentry*

*Ryan McMasters*

*Lauren Michaels*
*Drama Club, Mock Trial, Fall Drama, Chinese Club*

*Olivia Milito*

*Gage Miller*

*Jordan Miller*

*Joseph Miller*
*Office Aide, Basketball*

*Linzey Miller*
*Soccer, Key Club, Stage Crew*

*Phillip Miller*
*Track, Cross Country, Swimming, NWCTC Welding*

*Steven Miller*

*Enzo Morlacci*
*Wrestling*

*Emmalee Mortensen*
*Marching Band, Color Guard, Winter Guard, Chorus*

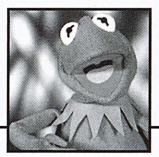
# QUARANTINED
## together for seven days

So many lessons. So many friends. A fictional borough in Manhattan, 123 Sesame Street centered around a Brownstone building and lovable Muppet characters aimed to educate and support the nation's youngest.

You have to quarantine for seven days with one of the following characters. Which do you pick and why?

"First, he's hilarious. Second, he's kind and would always look after me. I like how he's always trying to help out children with lessons. I think he would be the most fun."

*Imani Johnson* (12)



"Kermit is just a hysterical, funny dude to be with. I like that he's always in a great mood, and I think that he would make those seven days go by really quickly."

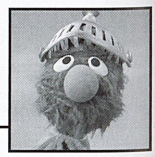
*Devin Burkett* (12)

"I would pick Oscar because he keeps to himself, and he's kind of like me in a way—a bit messy, hot-tempered, and loud. I think that we would get along great."

*Gerald Schafer* (12)

"If I'm going to be stuck in a house with someone, it might as well be someone who can give me food. Besides that, I have a feeling that he wouldn't mind the times when I'm a bit messy."

*Nate Nedley* (12)



"I actually would pick Grover. He's blue, furry, cuddly, and just an overall nice guy. He could become Super Grover and wipe COVID from the entire planet."

*Chloe Arbaugh* (12)

Photos *J. Swanson* (fac)

Photo: *2019 Campus*

### Where to sit...

Sitting in the library during Lunch and Learn, Jorgie Evans (12) talks to her friend Bailee Gray (12) while she eats lunch. "I sit there every day that the library is open for lunch because I don't like sitting on the floor," Evans said. Evans and Gray enjoyed the atmosphere of the library during lunch throughout their high school career.

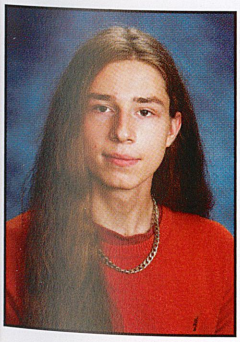
### Naughty or nice?

Ever since fifth grade, Dalin Graham (12) and Logan Lawrence (12) have grown up together. Graham said, "I remember that particular day was Twin Day, and Logan and I both wore our wrestling shirts. He's been there for me through the ups and downs and someone who I could always count on." To this day, Graham and Lawrence share many classes together.

## BEEN FRIENDS since elementary...

### Double digit birthday...

While celebrating Kaylie Smith's (12) 10th birthday, she and Isabelle Shirey (12) pause from the festivities for the camera. Smith said, "We met in fifth grade and have been best friends ever since. We've had a lot of sleep overs through the years." During the sleep overs, Smith and Shirey play-fought and wrote stories together.



*Jacob Motosicky*
*NWCTC Multimedia*

*Sidney Mowers*
*Marching Band, Winter Guard, Concert Band, Jazz Ensemble B*

*Conner Murray*

Seniors stop in the hall between the 300 and 400 building to catch up.

Photo: 1984 *Campus*, p. 48

"Weekend trips to the beach with my family were the best."

*Abagail Retter* (12)

## Describe your favorite childhood memory?

BACK TRACK

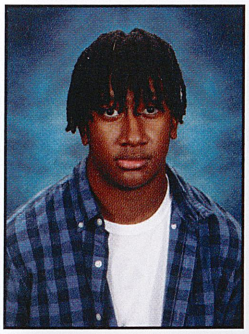
*Raymond Musgrove*

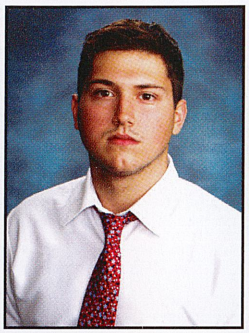
*Sarah Musser*
Bible Club, French Club, Key Club, Treble Ensemble, Cavalier Choir

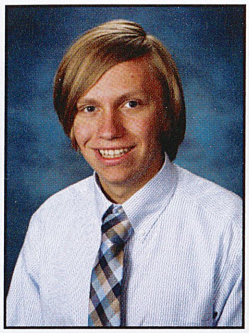
*Landon Newell*
Musical, Chorus

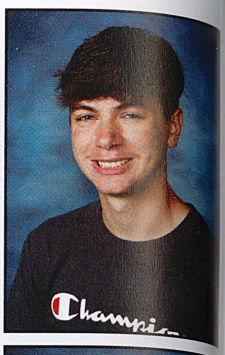
*Joshua Obringer*
Cross Country, Track, Winter Track

*Gavin Ondish*









*Cole Opalka*

*Jacob Opaska*

*Katrina Orange*
Key Club, NHS, Marching Band, Winter Track, Track, Spanish Club, Percussion Ensemble, Wind Ensemble

*Clarissa Phillips*
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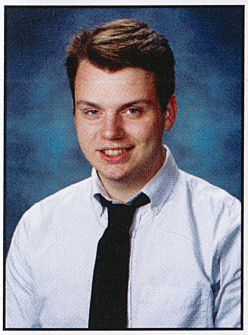
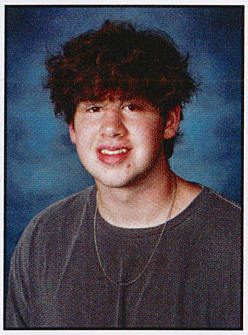
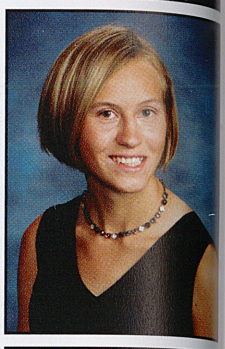
*Josette Plazio*
Track, Cross Country







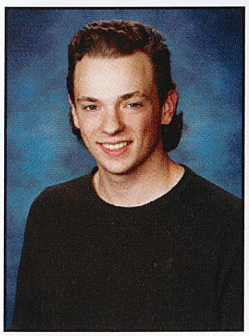
*Nathaniel Potanko*
NWCTC Welding

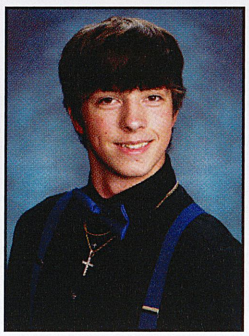
*Maria Poydence*
Stage Crew

*Marcus Price*
NWCTC Auto Body

*Margaret Pulice*
Cavalier Choir, Musical, Key Club, Volleyball

*Lindsey Pusateri*
Symphonic Voices, Cavalier Choir

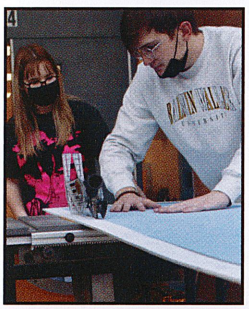




# DRESS TO *impress and* DANCE

*School dances provide perfect opportunities for students to look their best*

Story: *K. Bombalski* (12)



"Anytime I dress for stage crew, I make sure not to wear anything too nice. When painting, I make sure to wear stuff I can ruin. Comfort also plays a role in my choice of what to wear."
*Dylan Arner* (12)

"When we competed in the Hometown Hi-Q, we were told to dress up for the camera. Since only our top halves would show, I thought a sweater would look nice. When I dress nicer, it puts me in a better mood."
*Cameran Thompson* (12)

"In the role of Violet Bradman, I had to dress in clothes that are really not my style. She wore a formal-type dress for a dinner party and a less formal dress for a casual tea party. Mrs. Bradman did not realize how insulting she could be."
*Lauren Michaels* (12)

"Some other schools wear a t-shirt and longer shorts for their track uniform. I like our tank tops and shorter shorts because as a runner, I like the freedom of movement, and it feels like I can fly through the air easier."
*Antonio Giordano* (12)

With senior year came one last chance to dress to the nines for an evening of fun with friends. Dances brought all students together for a display of different looks and styles. However after three years of experience the seniors took the spotlight.

Payton Sullivan (12) reflected on her previous experiences with dress shopping in a positive light.

"It's more than just finding a dress you like," Sullivan said. "It's about finding a dress to make memories in and to have a good time shopping with friends."

The stereotype of only the girls excited to show off did not hold since even the guys took the rare chance to wear something nicer than athletic shorts and tee shirts. Chad Hepler (12) went to his first dance of high school his senior year, and found a new side of his friends after seeing them dressed so nicely.

"I didn't even know they had that sense of style," Hepler said. "I barely recognized them; they looked so fancy."

As seniors said their goodbyes, fancy outfits served as a strong reminder of a night of music and friends. This represented more than just some colorful fabric and patterns.

*Isabel Ramos*
*Marching Band, Symphonic Band, Wind Ensemble, Softball, Spanish Club, Treble Voices, Bowling, SHOUT Club, WIRC, Social Studies Club, NHS, Best Buddies, Mock Trial*

*Antonio Rauso*
*NWCTC Building/Construction*

*Michael Reed*
*NWCTC Welding*

*Savannah Reidell*

*Abagail Retter*
*Track*

*Kaileyann Reutzel-Fish*
*Key Club, French Club, Track, Stage Crew*

*Logan Reynolds*
*Football, Track, Wrestling, Spanish Club, Library Aide, NHS*

*Deashaun Rhine*
*Cavalier Choir, NWCTC Auto Mechanics*

*Buddy Riggle*
*NWCTC Auto Mechanics*

*Ethan Riley*
*NWCTC Auto Body*

*Jacob Robbibaro*

*Gwendolyn Rock*

*Erek Rokosz*

*Lea Ross*
*Cheerleading*

*Mason Ross*
*Baseball, Golf, Trap Shooting Team, Mock Trial*

To remember her father who recently passed away suddenly, Carlee Kuhn (12) displays her larkspur arm tattoo. Kuhn said, "I got the tat at *True Image* in New Kensington. My dad's ashes are infused in the ink which allows him to forever live on with me."

In her kitchen, tattoo artist Michael Charley created the rose and butterfly design for both Kat Hand (12) and her mom. "A couple of hours before my mom's 40th birthday, we got matching tattoos. I like that we will forever be connected through the experience."

BEST *advice*

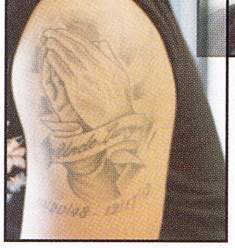
"NO CULOTTES EVER. THEY DON'T LOOK GOOD, AND THEY WOULD NEVER WORK WITH ANYTHING ELSE."

*MADISON CONIGLIO (12)*

# *Our ink means more than you will ever know...*

Created at *True Image* in New Kensington, Natalie Bollinger's (12) arm displays four hearts. "The four hearts represent me, my dad, my mom, and my sister. We all are getting the same tattoo with different hearts filled in."

*An expression of art and honor, seniors explain why the chose that particular tattoo*



After 17 years of living with his grandparents and on the streets, Elijah Sowerby (12) had Josh from *Doodle Pad Studio* in Vandergrift create this tribute to his mother. Sowerby said, "When my mom came back into my life, everything changed for the better. I now do everything I can to improve myself, just so I can make her proud."

On his April 6 birthday, Brayden Dunmire (12) got a spiritual tattoo in memory of his uncle. Dunmire said, "Uncle Larry and I used to do everything together. He was my best friend growing up. I miss him every day."

"I don't want low rise jeans to come back. I think they are so uncomfortable."

*Grace Claxon* (12)

What fashion trend do you hope never comes back?

FASHION

Steve Ross (1992 grad) compliments Steve Sforza (1992 grad) on his new backpack.

Photo: 1991 *Campus*, p. 41

## beauty OF THE WORM

**Where:** Homecoming Pep Rally
**When:** 9-24-21
**Photos:** *Sophie Smietana* (12)

*Natalie Bollinger* (12)

Photo: *G. Wilferd* (11)

### *Fingers locked and loaded...*

While stopping by the library to demonstrate his knuckles, Johnathan Drahos (12) shows off his double-jointed hands. "It's a fun party trick to gross people out with my gift," Drahos said. When he saw that his mother could bend her fingers like that six years ago, he realized that he had the same talent.

### *Big air in Butler...*

During the first weekend of November, Anthony Ford (12) hits a jump at Switchback MX Raceway in Muddy Creek, PA. "I did pretty good at that race. I placed 27th out of over 200 people. My YZ-125 was running really well," Ford said. In the spring, summer, and fall, Ford raced about once a month and traveled as far as Ohio.

Photo: *J. Ogden* (par)

# RARE PATH *to success*

Story: *J. Glunt* (12)

*Unique skills lead to greater successes*

Photo: S. Smietana (11)

### *Home run performance...*

During the Annual Key Club Talent Show, Lucas Vrudney performs *Home* by Philip Phillips to a rapt audience. Vrudney won first place.

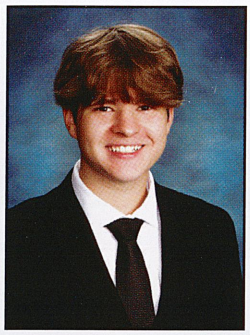
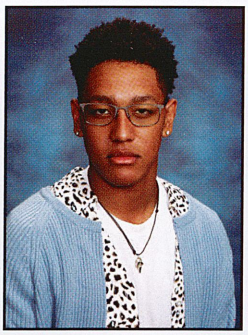
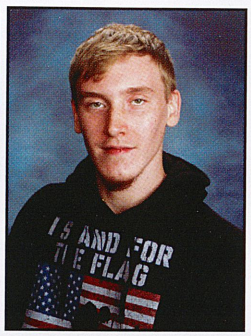
For Audrey DeTurck (12), an unexpected talent gave her a new point of view during an exciting time in her life.

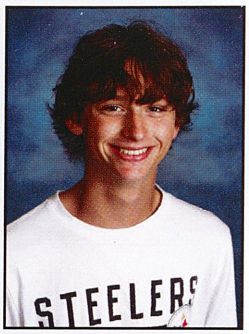
"I learned to do a shoulder stand around the time I joined guard. Everyone was really impressed by it. My previous skills have helped me excel when I try new things like that."

A member of both the color guard and the winter guard, DeTurck flourished because of her previous ability. "My tumbling experience has made me a better guard member. It gave me confidence in an activity I love."

Meanwhile, Lucas Vrudney (12) improved his guitar skills through careful practice, which led to special opportunities such as performing solos in marching band shows.

"I was seven years old when I started playing guitar. It was something I was super passionate about from a young age, and after years of work, I'm now able to play cool and difficult things that I've always wanted to play."



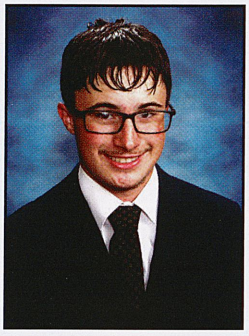

*Emily Rouse*
*Cavalier Singers, Wind Ensemble, Marching Band, Musical*

*Benjamin Ruggles*
*Marching Band, Wind Ensemble, Bible Club, Key Club, NHS, Spanish Club, Social Studies Club, WIRC*

*Jameson Sales*

*Jacob Schachte*

*Gerald Schafer*
*NWCTC Building/Construction*



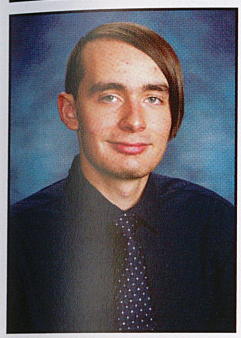
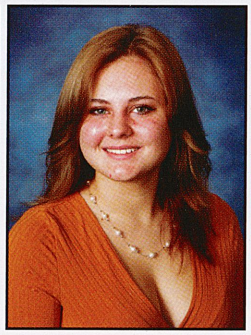
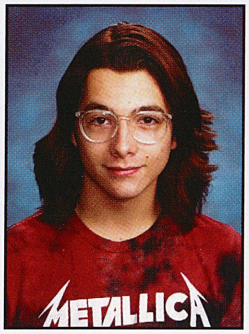
*Monica Schmelzer*
*Soccer*

*Joshua Schrader*
*Golf, Basketball, Baseball, Library Aide*

*Brianna Seman*

*Jayden Semprevivo*
*Chorus, NWCTC Culinary Arts*

*Lizeth Sesmas*
*Cross Country, Track, Winter Track, Key Club, NHS, Chinese Club, Environmental Club, Stage Crew*

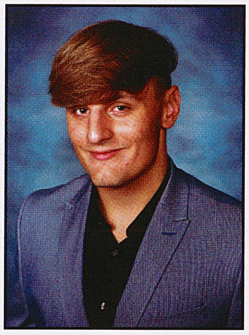
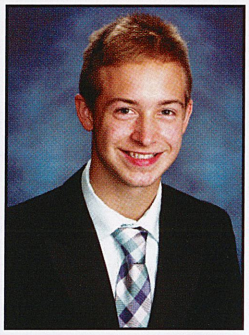
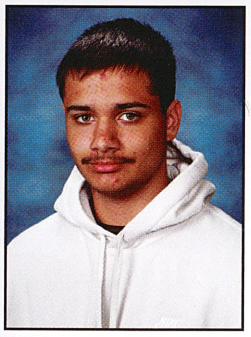
*Jonathan Shaffer*
*Marching Band, Wind Ensemble, Speech and Debate Club*

*Isabelle Shirey*

*Noah Shirley*

*Devon Shoemaker*

*Paige Shondelmyer*
*NWCTC Culinary Arts*

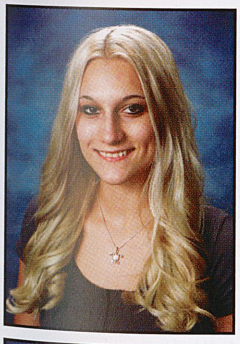




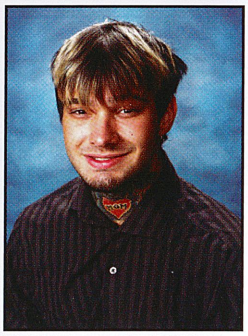
*Heather Sieczkowski*
*Stage Crew, Key Club, Chorus, Yearbook, Basketball*

*Aiden Sites*
*Hockey*

*Cooper Sluka*
*Marching Band, Wind Ensemble, Jazz Ensemble A, Pit Orchestra, Chinese Club, Bible Club, Floor Tech for Winter Guard*

*Grant Smith*
*Wrestling*





*Kaylie Smith*

*Mary Smith*

*Elijah Sowerby*

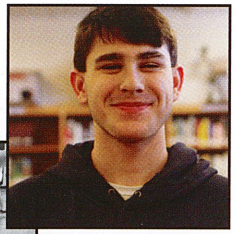
*Jocelyn Spencer*
*Cheerleading, NHS, Cavalier Choir, Show Choir, Track, Musical*

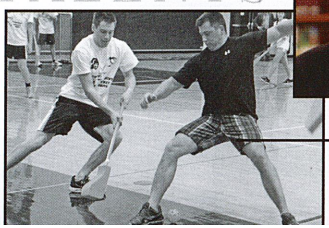
*Miabella Steele*
*Ski Club*

## What talent do you possess that others might not know about?

"I have been wakeboarding since I was ten. During the summer, I get out at least once a week on Conneaut Lake."

*Kolin Shaffer* (12)





Eager to capture the ball, Brad Ziegler (2013 grad) almost knocks Mr. Guzzie (fac) off his feet during a student vs. faculty hockey game.

Photo: 2013 *Campus*, p. 191

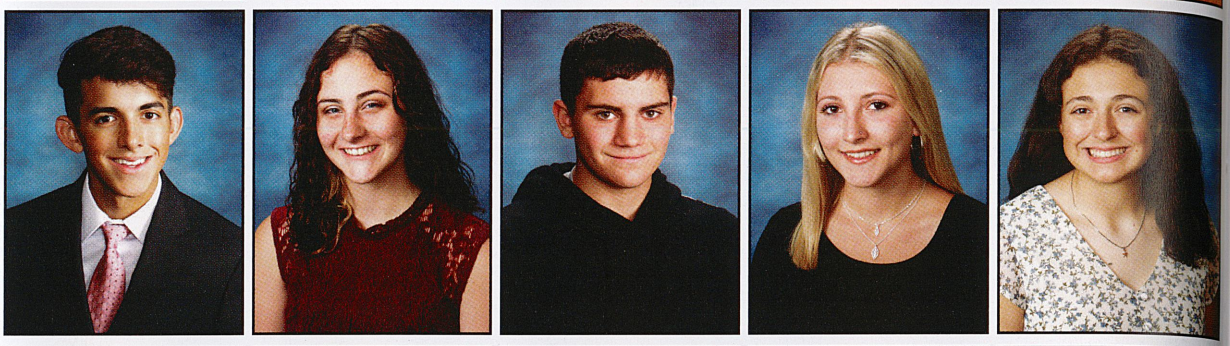
*Elisabeth Stevens*

*Jacob Stewart*

*Sarah Sullivan*
Track, Cross Country, SHOUT Club, CLC, Student Council, Class Officer, Senior Committee, NHS, Key Club, Environmental Club, Horticulture Club, Chinese Club

*Nina Summerhill*

*Cameran Thompson*
Senior Committee, Student Council, Quiz Team, NHS, Spanish Club, SHOUT Club, Best Buddies, Key Club, Chinese Club, Math Team, Swimming, Tennis



*Benjamin Townsend*
Soccer, Key Club, Football

*Bella Uskuraitis*
Stage Crew, Key Club, NHS, Best Buddies, SHOUT Club

*Logan Vacanti*
Ski Club, Track

*Madison Venturini*

*Pailey Vitale*
Marching Band, Pit Orchestra, Pep Band, Student Council, Junior Class Officer, NHS, Key Club, GMK, SHOUT, Horticulture, Computer Science, Spanish, Environmental, Trap Shooting, Bowling, FBLA

*Lauren Viviani*
Yearbook, Stage Crew, Office Aide

*Lucas Vrudney*
Jazz Ensemble A, Jazz Ensemble B, Wind Ensemble, Pit Orchestra, Marching Band, Bible Club

*Latisha Watt*
Chorus

*Logan Webb*

*Miranda Weightman*
Cheerleading

*Evan Wells*
Concert Band, Jazz Band, Marching Band, Spanish Club

*Owen Werkeiser*
Baseball

*Megan Westcoat*

*Karissa Will*
Cheerleading

*Grace Wilson*
Marching Band, Jazz Band

*Aaron Witt*
Student Council, Key Club, NHS, Math Team, Academic Quiz Team, Soccer, Senior Committee, Jazz Ensemble A

*Ethan Woodhall*
Track, Chinese Club, Band

*Akila Yaw*
Chorus, Musical

*Lindsey Zera*
Cross Country, Track, Winter Track, Environmental Club, Key Club, Student Council, SHOUT Club, Best Buddies, NHS

*Ann Zezyus*
NHS, Math Team, Spanish Club, Computer Science Club

*Andie Zielinski*
Senior Committee, Environmental Club, SHOUT Club, Wind Ensemble, Active for Animals, Key Club, Musical, NHS

*Owen Zimmerman*
Soccer, Math Team, Track, Spanish Club

Submitted: *P. Vitale* (12)

### *Pep in the stands...*

Cheering on the boys' basketball team by playing stand tunes, Pailey Vitale (12) also enjoys time with her band friends. "I wanted to participate because it gave me something to enjoy doing in the winter, and I really enjoy playing my instrument and being with friends, so I decided to participate," Vitale said. She most enjoyed playing the stand tune *Land of a Thousand Dances*.

## *good* TIMES

Discuss the best present you have ever given to someone.

"I've known Bella Uskuraitis since middle school. For her birthday this year, I recreated an art piece that I made for her back then. It involves four characters from a video that we made from years ago."

*Olivia Croney* (12)

"When I was in second grade, I remember making snowmen out of socks. I was so excited to give it to my mom. She still has it, and I'm now 18. She brings it out every Christmas."

*Julian Barr* (12)

"In about third grade, I made my mother a Christmas card. I remember that it had a big tree on the front, and I wished her a Merry Christmas with my love on the back."

*Jimmy Couslin* (12)

## *From local to national..*

Cadets Joe Miller (12) and Jesse Fleishner (12) made the big decision to join the U.S. Military. With the support of their fellow Air Force JROTC cadets, they enjoyed a celebratory cake for their commitment to the service. Fleishner explained what made him want to join, "The people who serve are some of the most honorable people and would be great to work with. I also believe it's an excellent way to get job experience for just about anything," Fleishner said.

Before they went to serve their country, they helped serve their community. Miller and Fleishner along with other senior cadets volunteered and participated in the inaugural AFJROTC Charity Basketball Tournament to raise money for Tickets For Kids.

"Over the summer, I volunteered at Champion Crusaders on River Road in Vandergrift. I liked seeing the transformation from being on the streets to getting their 'fur'ever home."

*Liz Crawford* (12)

## no. *picture* TAKEN

*Megan Abell-Swarmer*
*Makayla Anderson*
*Serenity Atkinson*
*Giovonni Bavera*
*Zane Bell*
*Mykel Bernat*
*Faith Boyle*
*Holden Burkette*
*Grace Claxon*
*James Couslin*
*Samuel Darley*
*Kenneth Davis*
*Laszlo Dickey*
*Brandon Doland*
*Jorgie Evans*
*Jesse Fleishner*
*Zachary Fox*
*Courtney Gill*
*Blaise Hilderbrand*
*Julian Hughes*
*Nicholas Hughes*
*Dylan Hutcherson*
*Imani Johnson*
*Aidan Kelly*
*Brian Landry*
*Garrett Lane*
*Austin Lawhead*
*Devin Leone*
*Malachi Martindale*
*Hope McMasters*
*Ashley Moyle*
*Christina Peltier*
*Jacob Reedy*
*Jaden Robshaw*
*Eric Rocco*
*Travis Rogal*
*Kolin Shaffer*
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*Damian Weaver*
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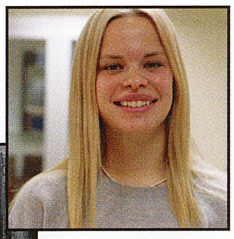
## GIVING

What do you do to give back to your community?



Justin Shoemaker (2019 grad) gears up to continue with his 200 hours of basic training with the Allegheny Township Volunteer Fire Company.

Photo: 2019 *Campus*, p. 54

# ONE INJURY *after another after another*

Story: *R. Frye* (11)

## Accident-ridden teenager reveals injuries

BEST *advice*

"THE PAIN OF YESTERDAY IS THE STRENGTH OF TODAY."

*KATIE SHAW (11)*

*All wrapped up...*

After a horrific injury sliding home against the Freeport Yellowjackets, Connor Flemm (11) spent eight weeks in a cast to heal his ankle. "The worst was when my foot itched for whatever reason. I remember using a coat hanger to get relief," Flemm said. As of December 27, doctors cleared him to play baseball in the spring.

As the sunset painted the sky with the hot pink, light yellow, and soft orange that hazed over the field, parents sat in their lawn chairs and ate the concession stand food that the lingering smell of fried goodness convinced them to buy. Athletes played their hearts out on the field until hopefully, they beat their opponents. Stress poured in at the end of the game whenever they tried to stay ahead for the remaining few minutes. The team had high hopes until Connor Flemm (11) landed on his arm, trying to catch himself, causing a broken and dislocated elbow.

"I was running with the ball, and all I remember is no longer running and having to catch myself, hoping for the best," Flemm said.

The devastating injury may have slowed Flemm down, but he did not let it stop him from doing what he loved. After months of recovery, he finally could play with his team again, not expecting what would come next.

The ball got launched into the air and Flemm just rounded third base and slid into home, not knowing what was about to happen.

"I was just sliding into home plate as usual, and I heard a loud snap. Later, we found out that I had dislocated my ankle, along with breaking my tibia and fibula," Flemm said.

The accident-ridden teenager did not let this injury discourage him either; however, he could not participate in the football season.

"I went to every game and supported my team, but I wished that I was out there," he said.

Flemm has not participated in any sports since March while traveling his long journey to recovery. "But, the wait will be worth it," Flemm said.

*Jordan Acheson*
*Gavin Aftanas*
*Enzo Alberti*
*Andrew Alexander*
*Liam Alexander*
*Ryan Alexander*
*Maddox Anderson*
*Antonio Aquilino*

*Joshua Ardellitz*
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*Anders Bordoy*

*Alexandrea Bottali*
*Julianne Bowman*
*Anne Bowser*
*Caleb Bowser*
*Ezra Bowser*
*Reilly Brandle*
*Stone Brandon*
*Evin Brice*

Featuring: *Jordan Cable* (11)

### *Not-so-friendly bump...*

While going for a spin on his Husqvarna FC250 dirt bike at his friend's house, Jordan Cable (11) hits a jump before problems ensue. Cable said, "I flipped over the handlebars and was in a sling for four to five weeks." Cable could not use his left arm and indicated that he lost feeling in that part of his arm after the sling came off.

## WORST *injuries* EVER

Provide the details for how it all happened.

"While wrestling at the Gateway Tournament, I went to snap my opponent down and smacked my hand off the back of his head. It was a clean break, and I was out for four to six weeks."

*Jack Crider* (11)

"My tibia broke as I was sliding into home plate at a softball game at home. It took about four months or so to heal."

*Mateya Maldonado* (11)

"I was swimming for gym class, and a girl jumped into my lane. To get away from her, I smacked my chin off the bottom of the pool and pulled muscles in my neck."

*Emma Mellinger* (11)

"While skiing at Snowshoe Mountain in West Virginia, I hit a tree. I ended up breaking my femur. I was in shock at first and had to be life-flighted to Ruby Memorial Hospital in Morgantown."

*Ryan Schmidt* (11)

"I was helping my dad practice team-roping for rodeo, and as I was pushing a cow toward the pen, he turned around and gored me in the leg."

*Caleb Shultz* (11)

*Hailey Briggs*
*Ethan Brink*
*Jacob Bucci*
*Payton Buffone*
*Logan Burkett*

*Gabriel Cable*
*Jordan Cable*
*Rosalia Cardinale*
*William Cardinale*
*Aubrey Carion*

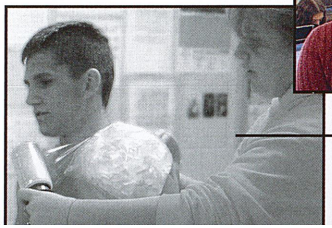
*Cayden Castleberry*
*Luke Cawley*
*Avery Celo*
*Ryan Clinger*

*Lexiann Colaianni*
*Nathaniel Coleman*
*Samantha Coleman*
*Christian Corp*

"So basically, my dad had just gotten done putting traction stuff on the steps, but I still managed to fall down them. They were stone steps, and it hurt."

*Chassidy Kamer* (11)

Describe a time that you got injured.



Trainer Sarah Emerick wraps ice on Mike Spisak's shoulder. Aside from spending two seasons as a trainer, Emerick also threw for the track team.

Photo: 2006 *Campus*, p. 155

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*Emma Crissman*
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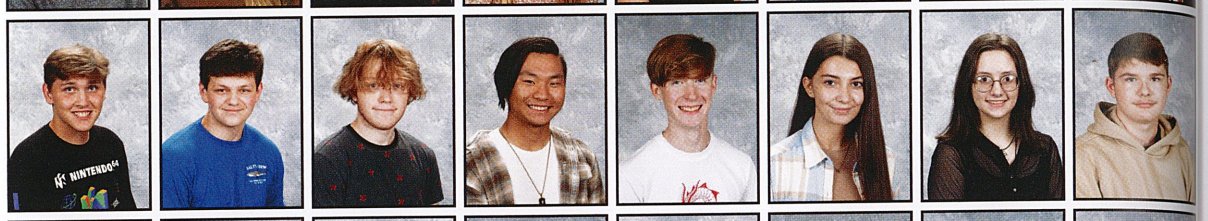

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*Andrew Fleming*
*Connor Flemm*
*Cole Fluman*
*Glenn Fowkes*

*Rachel Frye*
*Carter Fuhrer*
*Matthew Fuhrer*
*Caleb Gardone*
*Grace Geltz*
*Ethan George*
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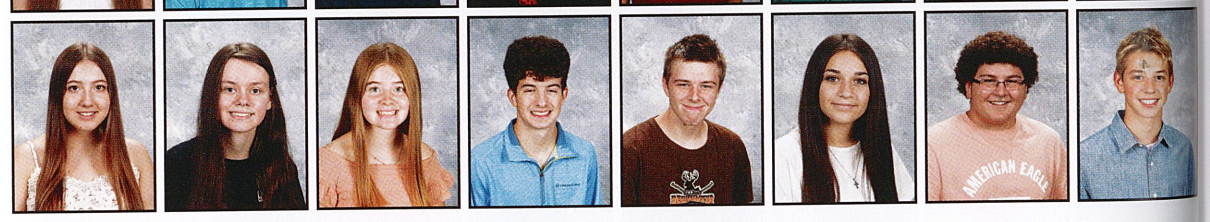


# THAT FACE
## *SAYS IT ALL*

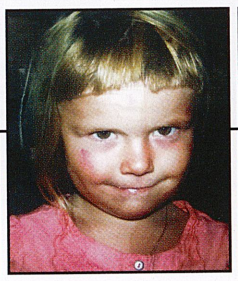
From an early age, games and toys became a huge part of life. Used as educational tools, the hours spent playing that one board game or with that one toy shaped our minds and thinking.

From Lincoln Logs to Sorry, and from 500-Rummy to Legos, toys and games kept us busy and gave us all opportunities to spend quality time with friends and family.

*Monster High Dolls*

"I had a ton of them. I liked them because their arms and legs moved, they were all based off of monsters, and they had books that came with them. Their movies were my favorite, and I collected them after I watched them."

*Avery Toy* (11)



*Barbie Dolls*

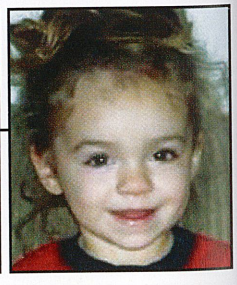
"For as long as I can remember, I played all the time with my Barbie Dolls. I always had to have the newest one released. I had the Barbie house, car, pool, clothes, and all accessories. I can't imagine how much money we spent on Barbie."

*Hannah Blankenship* (11)

*Old Maid*

"I loved to play Old Maid with my grandpa because he was really smart and taught me how to play many games. We would play during holidays, after school, and just about any time I went to my grandparents' house."

*Jordan Acheson* (11)



*Candy Land*

"I've played Candy Land since I was about five years old. My papa used to play with me all the time. I always had to be green, and Papa was always blue. I'd say that I won about 75% of the time because he always liked to let me win."

*Maxine Crosby* (11)

Featuring: *Dylan Phillips* (8), *Haley Phillips* (11), and *Kaelyn Phillips* (10)

Featuring: *Lily Zornow* and *Joe Zornow* (11)

### Lollipop blues...

At their grandmother's house, Haley Phillips (11) and her sisters Kaelyn and Dylan proudly display their tongues for a picture after eating blue lollipops. Phillips said, "We punched each other almost every day, but when it comes to lollipops, we knew how to get along." At the ages of eight, seven, and five, their grandmother snapped the picture.

### Friends for life...

In their yard in Vandergrift, Lily and Joe Zornow (11) pause for a picture at the ages of five and four. Joe Zornow said, "As far back as I can remember, Lily and I have always gotten along. We look out for each other and enjoy spending our time together." Joe Zornow added that he wore shoes most of the time and didn't go around barefoot outside his yard.

## MORE information

*CAT'S NAME:* DANCER
*AGE:* NINE YEARS OLD NOW, UNDER A YEAR AT THE TIME OF THE PHOTO
*OWNER:* GRANDMA PHILLIPS
*VISITS:* A FEW TIMES A WEEK
*HOME:* LEECHBURG, PA.

# Superlatives... junior edition

1) Best Friends Female
*Allison Zdobinski* and *Emma Mellinger*

2) Best Friends Male
*Luke Cawley* and *David Shevlin*

3) Most School Spirit
*Jackson Newell* and *Mateya Maldonado*

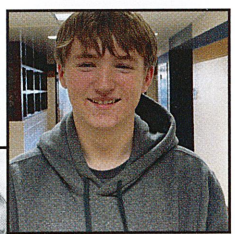
4) Best Sense of Humor
*Nevaeh Riggle* and *Evin Brice*

For Halloween, Jonathan Zuchelli, Evan Gengo, and Susan Kessler dress as characters from the populat Mario Brothers Nintendo game series.

Photo: 2007 *Campus*, p. 80

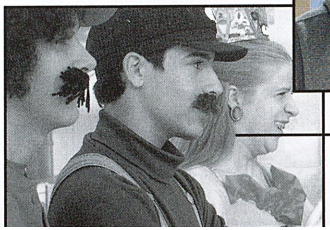
## CHILDHOOD

Describe your earliest childhood memory.



"The one time that I was playing with a toy and I remember my mom taking the toy away from me for some reason. I was probably three-years-old."

*Eric McCurdy* (11)



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*Grace Hill*
*Tabytha Hogan*
*Haylee Hughes*
*Gretchen Janoscrat*
*Sydney Joyce*
*Chassidy Kamer*
*Isaac Keitzer*
*Kendall Kernan*

*Dominick Kerns*
*Ethan Kerr*
*Matthew Kerr*
*Breydon Kibe*
*Emma King*
*Connor Kirkland*
*Evan Klingensmith*
*Ryan Klingensmith*

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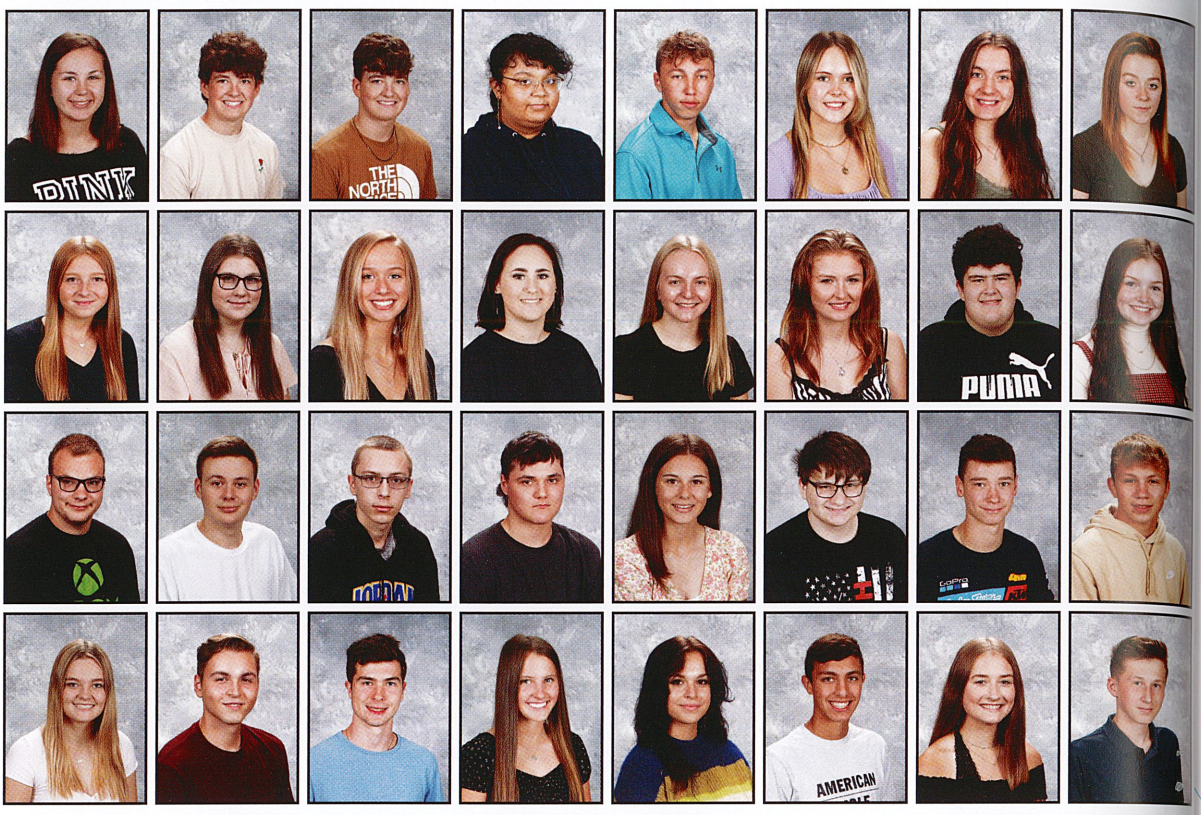



# NOT YOUR typical phys-ed CLASS

## Gym participants use TikTok to exercise in class

Story: *A. Carion* (11)

Built into cultures around the world, dancing often took center stage. After all, research has proven that dance reduces stress, and some believed that art shines through movement. Dance has traveled through centuries, generations, and styles. Mrs. Padasak (fac) took matters into her own hands and decided to incorporate dance into gym class.

"As a Phys-Ed teacher, my duty is to teach dance rhythm and movement, so I chose to do a TikTok dance in gym class. I wanted the students to step outside of their comfort zones and explore creativity and connect dance movements to activities," Padasak said.

Not everyone would share a passion for dance, but they all participated in this innovative, creative way to stay active.

"I had a blast," Braden Mika (11) said sarcastically, "It enriched my ability to dance and feel more athletic and on time *cue eye roll*."

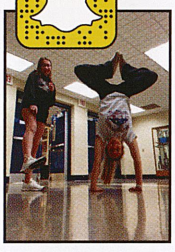
Kendall Kernan (11) and her group participated in *The Get Up* by Blanco Brown after they saw the examples shown in the presentation.

"The song was fun for me to do, and we were not able to learn the actual moves to it in a timely manner, so we made up our own choreography," Kernan said.

## Which forum works best?

"I have two TikTok accounts, and I use it several times every day. I've had my one account for about three years."

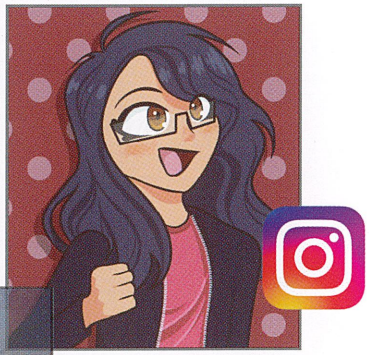
*Anders Bordoy* (11)



"I like Snapchat because it allows me to talk with my friends. I like that you can send pictures. Sometimes, I put words with them, and sometimes I don't. I usually Snapchat heavily with my best friend Haylee."

*Sheyenne Muschick* (11)

Artwork: *K. Stiffey* (11)



"I use Instagram pretty much every day. I'm really not into putting my own pictures and art on it, but I like to view the pictures on everyone else's accounts."

*Kevin Stiffey* (11)

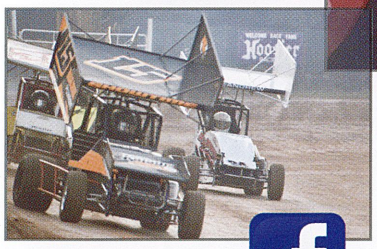
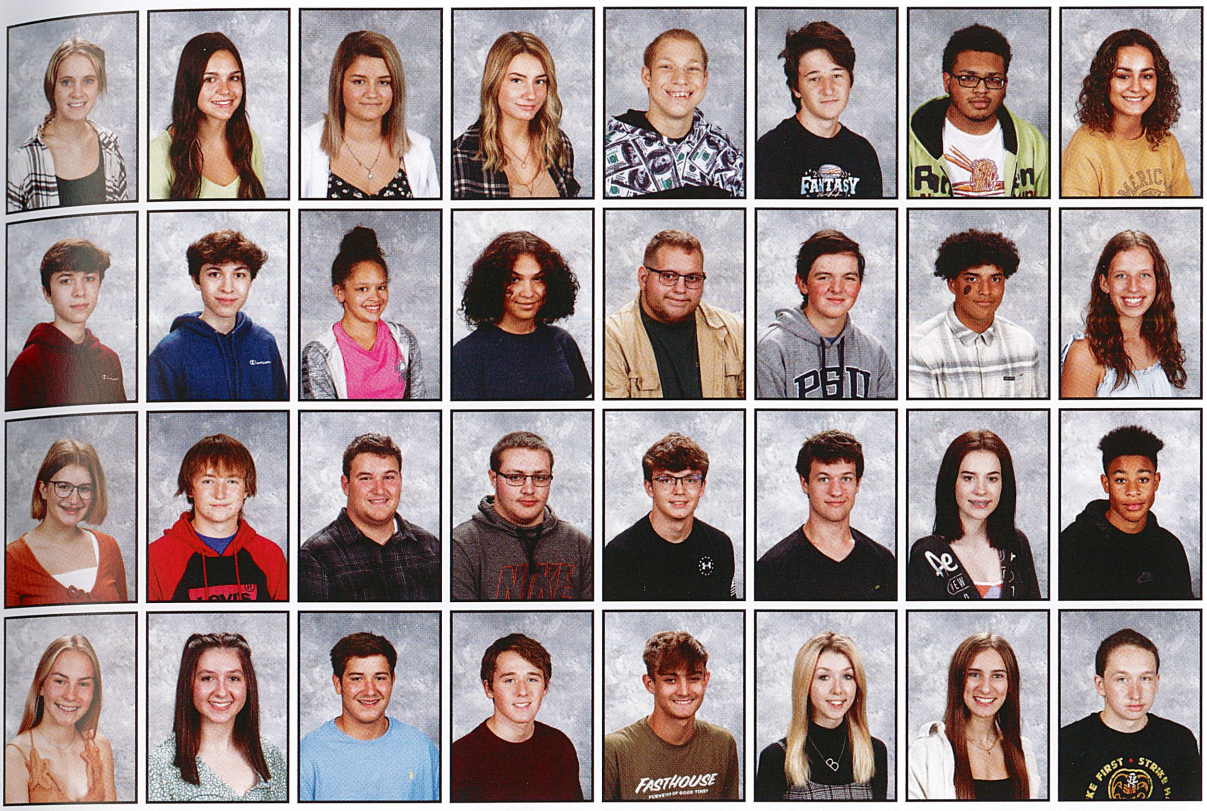


Photo: *Kaptured by Kara Photography*

"I have my own Facebook account, and I also run my brother's sprint car racing page. I try to update his account every weekend with videos that I've taken of him."

*Alexis Shook* (11)



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*Juliana Michaels*
*Braden Mika*
*Nicholas Miles*
*Brayden Miller*
*Briannon Miller*
*Genevieve Miller*
*Charles Moore*

*Step by step...*

At the December 10 Blood Drive in Gym B, Lexi Colaianni executes some dance moves. Colaianni said, "When I and three other girls were working at the CLC event, we had free time during our lunch break, so we decided to make a TikTok to the song *Rock with Me*." Besides TikTok, Colaianni also utilized Snapchat, Instagram, Twitter, and Facebook.

*Lexi Colaianni* (11)

Photos: *J. Swanson* (fac)

# BEAUTY of a TikTok

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

*Making a case for Casey...*

What started off as an inside middle-school joke turned into an actual gathering of people in Casey Gorman's (11) honor. Gorman said, "When I found out that my friends were planning the club, I joined in and took it to a new level with clothing and accessories." Overall, about 20 students belonged to the club.

"I have seven Instagram pages, five TikTok accounts, three Snapchat accounts, and four Facebooks."

*Haley Phillips* (11)

Discuss your social media presence.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Karen Gordon uses the office pay phone to make a call. Students needed a single dime to make any local call back then.

Photo: 1973 *Campus*, p. 65

*Race to the finish...*

At Keystone Raceway Park, Laken Robshaw (11) prepares to drag race. Robshaw said, "I love the feeling of the adrenaline that I get when I'm racing." Robshaw became interested in racing because of her cousin and brother and started racing three years ago.

Photo: *T. Robshaw* (par)

# NOTHING *can drag this girl down*

## Junior discusses inspirations and successes of drag racing

Story: *G. Kraus* (11)

Photo: *T. Robshaw* (par)

*Race to friendship...*

Laken Robshaw (11) shows off her car with friends from Ohio and PA that she met while racing. "I enjoy seeing my friends from all around the country, and I enjoy the excitement I get when I win," Robshaw said. She claimed runner up at Bracket Finals at Dragway 42 in East Salem, Ohio.

Seated in the driver's seat of her car, Laken Robshaw (11) pulled up to the staging area of Dragway 42's drag strip. Her foot hovering over the gas pedal, she watched the stop light intently. One amber light flashed on, then the next. As the third yellow light shined, Robshaw slammed her foot on the gas. She crossesd the starting line at the same time the fourth light turned green, making her start time exactly 0.000 seconds, an astonishing feat.

Not only did Robshaw race all across the country, from Georgia to Ohio, but she also got to make some extra cash in doing so. On occasion in drag racing, the drag strips would award the winners and runner ups with money instead of a medal or award.

"One time I won $1000 as a runner up at Dragway 42 in Ohio. That was the most I've ever won while racing." Robshaw said.

Robshaw had drag raced for three years and gathered inspiration from those she knew best.

"My older cousin got into drag racing before both me and my brother. I remember going to watch him race, and then I became interested once my brother began racing. I only ever get nervous when I'm competing against them," Robshaw said.

# BEST advice

"IF YOU DON'T KNOW WHERE YOU'RE GOING, ANY ROAD WILL GET YOU THERE."

Braden Mika (11)

*Abigail Mortensen*
*Kayla Mull*
*Sheyenne Muschick*
*Kaylee Musco*
*Alyssa Mydock*
*Zachary Myers*
*Ryan Neff*
*Jackson Newell*

*Ryan Nickels*
*Robert Packey*
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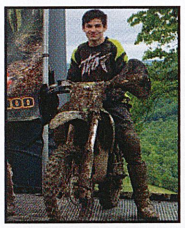
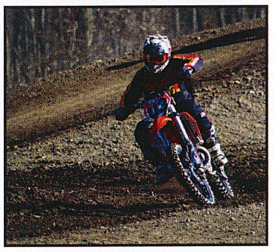
# Wheels that go round and round



"Racing lets me be free and brings adventure into my life. It also allows me to do some dumb things."
*Luke Cawley* (11)



"There's a lot that I love about racing. I really like how everyone is always there for you. No matter what, they will always help you. I also like going through the woods, just me and my bike. It's so fun."
*Will Walker* (11)

"My absolute favorite part about racing is battling racers through the woods and fighting for positions. It's a rush."
*Damien Schuffert* (11)

"After my father finished a race at Redbank Track in Fairmont, PA, we loaded his bike up to head home. He placed eleventh for the day."
*Allie Zdobinski* (11)

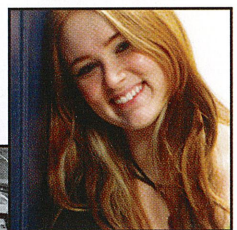
"I like racing because it gives me an adreneline rush that gets me super-hyper and pushes me to always do better."
*Brayden Lynch* (11)

"My favorite part about racing is getting to compete with my friends and people across the state. It gives me a lot of adrenalin."
*Alex Smouse* (11)

Provide your thoughts you the person who drives you to and from school on the bus.

"I've ridden the same bus the whole time going to high school. Ed, my bus driver, is such a thoughtful, nice person. He truly cares for all of us on the bus and always asks about my brother who graduated."

*Gia Gardone* (11)



VROOM VROOM

Eager students await departure to their homes after a long, cool, fall day on campus.

Photo: 1977 *Campus*, p. 75

# ESCAPE *from real life;* GAME ON

## Video gamers describe meaning behind gaming sessions

"If I'm having a bad day, I hop on a single player to release the stress and anger that built up throughout the day, and after a while, I have calmed down enough to apologize to those affected," Preston Fedoruk (11) said.

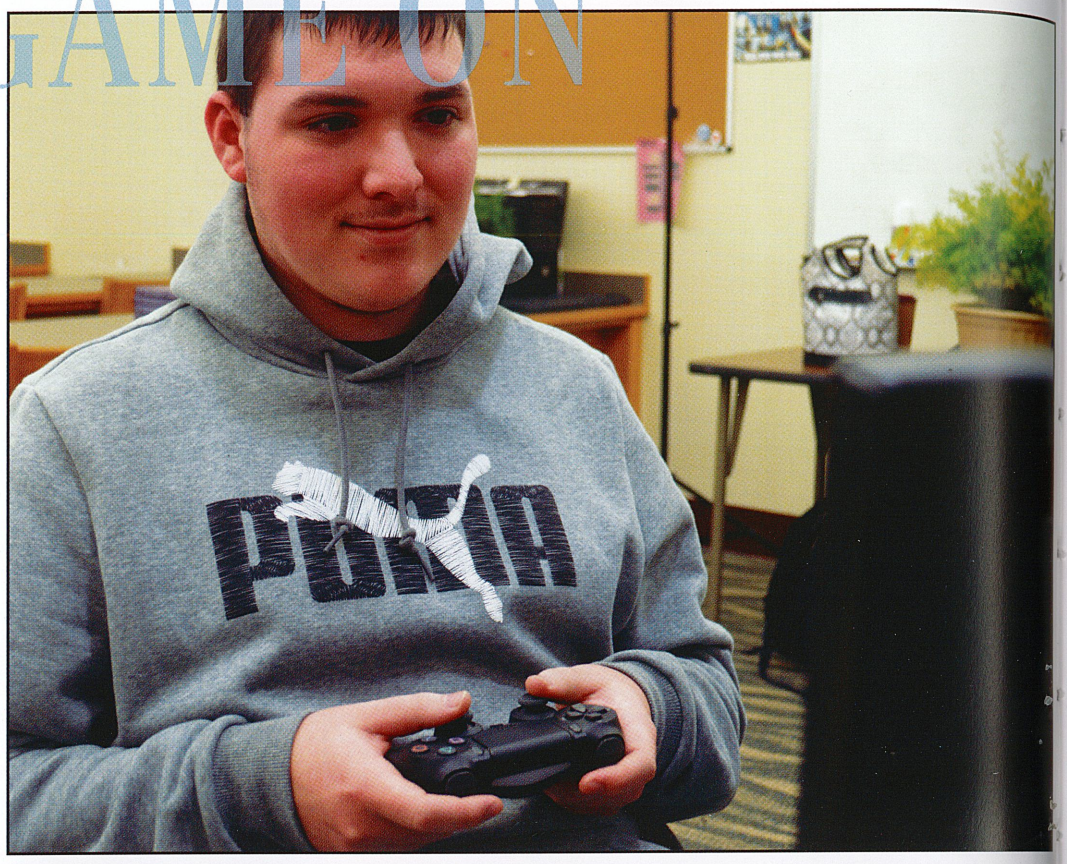
While seated in their gaming spot, holding the remote control comfortably in their hands, using muscle memory to press the necessary buttons to successfully play the game, these introverts used gaming to escape reality. During these gaming sessions, the players forgot what reality felt like or how harsh the world treated them.

"It gives me a couple minutes to escape reality and life because it sucks," Dakota McDonald (11) said.

"I don't have to go anywhere and worry about running into a group of new people to meet," Zachary Prosser (11) said.

*All in the game...*

With his PS4 controller in hand, Zach Prosser (11) attacks the defenders in *Rainbow Six Siege*. Prosser said, "I'm known for staying up until three in the morning playing games with Dakota and Shawn McDonald. I think the longest we've ever played in one session was about 12 hours." He also enjoyed playing *GTA5* and *Fortnite*.

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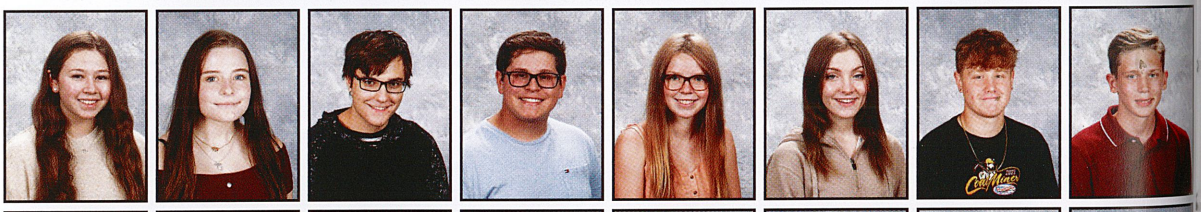

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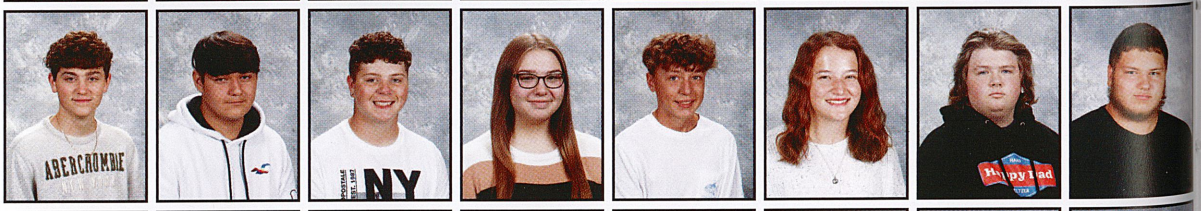


*Faith Skurko*
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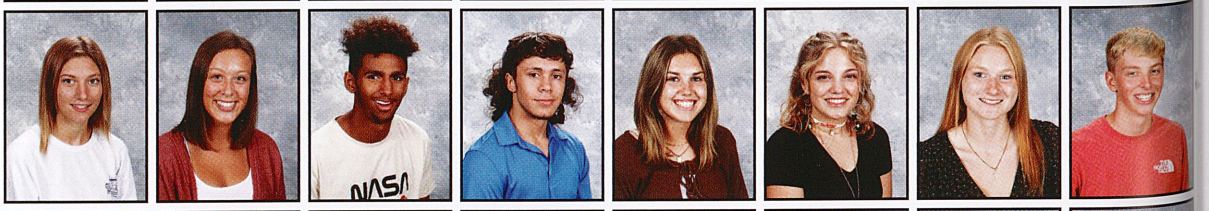


*Kevin Stiffey*
*Zechariah Stimmell*
*Brianna Stone*
*Kamryn Suman*
*Allison Thompson*
*Sophia Trapani*
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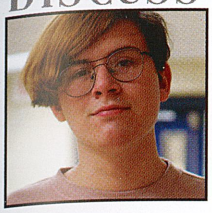
*Amanda Trybus*

*So, you keep to yourself...*

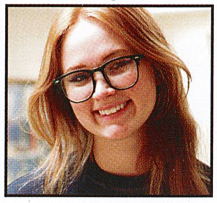
# DISCUSS YOUR GO TO OUTLET FOR LETTING OFF STEAM



### Drawing

"I like to sketch and write down ideas in my blue notebook."

*Kevin Stiffey* (11)



### Meditating

"Meditation is usually my go to for destressing."

*Giavonna Gardone* (11)

### Cleaning

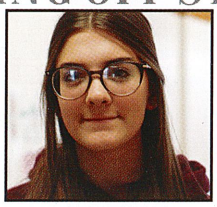
"I've been known to clean while listening to country music."

*Rachel Frye* (11)

### Exercising

"I go to the gym because it allows me to focus on something else."

*Maxine Crosby* (11)



### Music

"I listen to all different types of music."

*Abby Mortensen* (11)

### Power-walking

"I take power walks and talk to myself in an aggressive tone."

*Cassia Remencus* (11)

*Angela Tucker*
*Nathan Vokes*
*William Walker*
*Caitlin Ward*
*Seth Waugaman*

*Jordyn Weaver*
*Alyssa Weigand*
*Asya Welch*
*Kate Wigton*
*Grace Wilferd*

*India Williams*
*Quentin Wilson*
*Sabrina Wilson*
*David Winning*
*John Wolfe*

*Isziah Wright*
*Noah Yauger*
*Sawyar Zanotti*
*Allison Zdobinski*
*Colton Zekir*

*Alexis Zollinger*
*Joseph Zornow*
*Lily Zornow*

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

### *Game time quiet...*

While taking a break from his studies during Resource, Ryan Neff (11) pulls out his phone to get some time on the game *Clash Royale*. Neff said, "I prefer playing games on my computer at home. I have a lot more video games that I like to choose from." Depending on his mood, Neff indicated his favorite games included *Halo Infinite*, *Sea of Thieves*, and *Dead by Daylight*.

## BEST *advice*

"INTROVERTS DON'T NEED TO BE CURED; THEY NEED TO BE LEFT ALONE."

*RYAN SHAFFER (11)*

## no *picture* TAKEN

*Chloe Altman*
*Tonya Blake*
*Haley Brown*
*Cheyanna Bryant*
*Kendra Butler*
*Collin Cline*
*Jennifer Coniglio*
*Joseph Dykes*
*Isaac Fitch*
*Nathaniel Fouse*
*Trenity Frame*

*Giavonna Gardone*
*Pearl Goldinger*
*Tabitha Gourley*
*Donavin Harbison*
*Nautica Jones*
*Cole Karns*
*Karissa Kilpatrick*
*Gaige Knappenberger*
*Lucas Kowalczyk*
*Jasik Leasure*
*Julia Loughner*
*Dante Magery*
*Jerald Martin*
*Patrick Mason*
*Jessica Maute*
*Hunter Medred*
*Lauryl Mell*
*Natha Meyer*

*Mackenzie Moore*
*Shane Moore*
*Julian Moreno*
*Tyler Murray*
*Joshua Neal*
*Dylan Pasquarelli*
*Haley Phillips*
*Aiden Reed*
*Sara Ross*
*Rylie Sandor*
*Cooper Sazalsky*
*Kaitlyn Shaw*
*Zachary Steele*
*Thomas Tobin*
*Ashley Walter*
*Zakiyah Worsham*
*Glenn Wright*

"I prefer being with a close knit group of friends, and I don't feel the need to always meet new people."

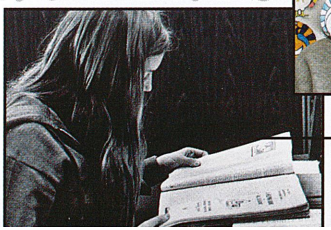
*Loraine Getty* (11)

Discuss your thoughts on making new friends.

## INTROVERTS

In a cubicle in Mr. Kulas' library, a student peruses newspapers to compete a project for her history class.

Photo: 1973 *Campus*, p. 96



# LIGHTS CAME

## *and unreserved actions...*

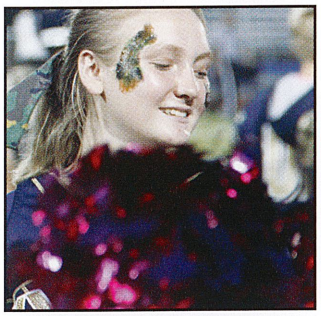
Story: *K. Bombalski* (12)

BEST *advice*

"YOU CANNOT DO KINDNESS TOO SOON, FOR YOU NEVER KNOW HOW SOON IT WILL BE TOO LATE."

*VICTORIA BERBERICH (10)*

### Theater/GMK builds outgoing personalities



*Take it to the chapel...*

In front of the home crowd at the game against Fox Chapel on October 8, Caylie Tursky (10) checks her footing during a cheer. Tursky said, "When your job is to excite the crowd, you have to be outgoing and motivating. Cheering has helped me to become a bit more uninhibited." The home team lost to the Foxes 21-35.

Perhaps a bit stereotypical—however still true—kids involved in the theater department carried a reputation of energy and enthusiasm on and off the stage. Many members have mastered the ability to take the character from on stage and bring it into everyday life.

Garrett Seymour (10), despite his gap in age from the usually staring seniors, started to present his bright personality on the screens of GMK.

"I've never really had a problem being myself in front of others," Seymour said. "Having GMK as an outlet to express myself between the musical and marching band is perfect for me."

Xaiden Connelly (10) also worked his outward charm. However, he did so from behind the set as a stage crew member.

"Being a part of such a wonderful group makes it really easy to be yourself, " Connelly said. "Everyone brings so much energy and positivity that it's hard to lose your confidence."

One part time introvert Caylie Tursky (10) had thoughts about how her personality seemed to change when on the stage.

"I am a different person when it comes to theater and cheering. I've served stage crew for a few years, and I love the interaction that we have with the actors. I get lost in the plot of the show a lot of times, and it's just so much fun to be a part of such a wonderful experience that lets us all step outside of our box to become the characters. Even helping out backstage has brought me out of my shell at times," Tursky said.

*Wesley Adams*
*Hunter Akins*
*Samantha Andrasy*
*Tatum Antimary*
*Skylar Arenth*
*Evan Artman*
*Savanna Atkinson*
*Zander Barr*

*Matthew Behrik*
*Delaney Bell*
*Isabella Bendtsen*
*Adam Bentley*
*Brett Bentley*
*Victoria Berberich*
*Landen Bier*
*Alexa Bollinger*

*Alianna Booker*
*Erica Brestensky*
*Michael Bucci*
*Jason Buczak*
*Lindsay Bush*
*Cassandra Buss*
*Mason Caldwell*
*Caleb Carricato*

*Sylvia Chin*
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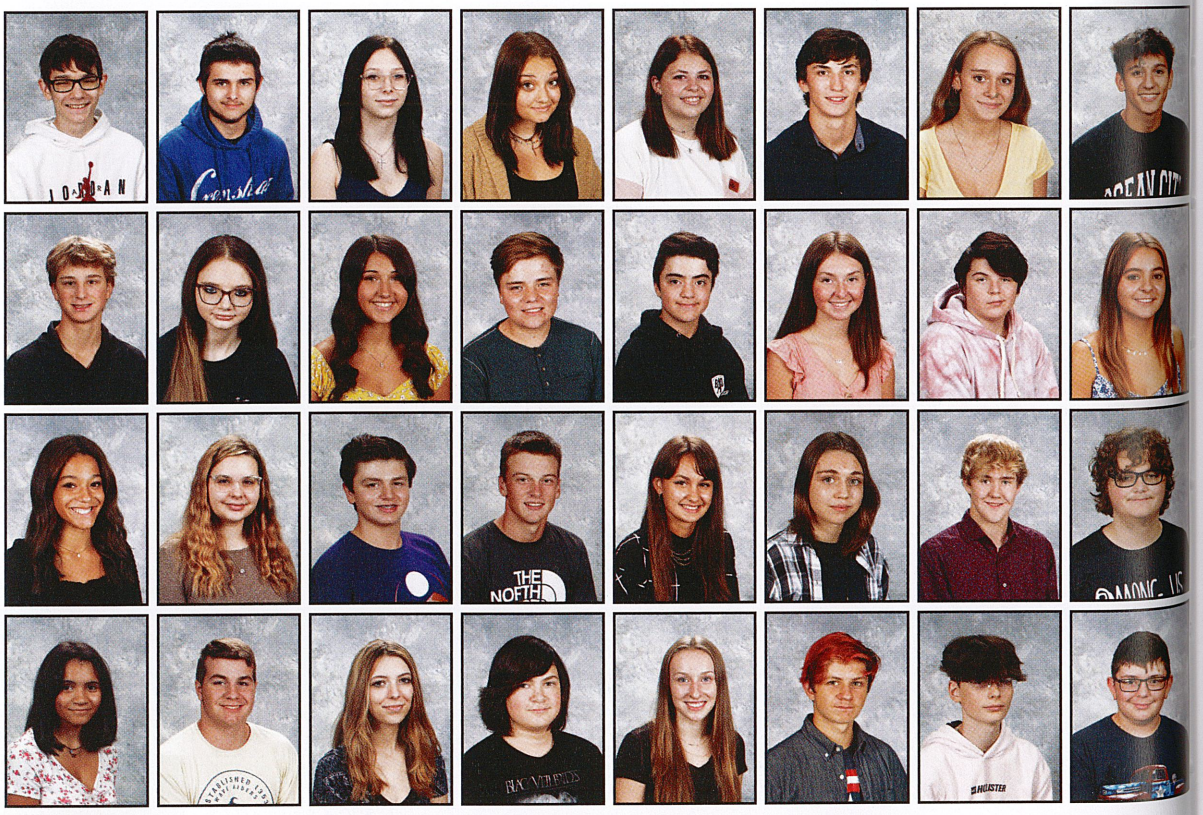


Photo: *J. Bielek* (12)

*News with a smile...*

Ready to give news to the school, Garrett Seymour (10) prepares his smile while he waits for the camera cue. Seymour said, "Being funny just comes naturally to me; I don't really have to think about jokes or anything like that." He said that he loved anchoring GMK because it lets him put his creative performance outlet on for the entire building.

## Which single extra-curricular activity fulfills you most?

## IT brightens MY DAY

"I like playing tennis because it has opened up new friendships for me and has let me talk to people I haven't talked to before."
*Makenna MacLean* (10)

"I enjoy being in mock trial because it lets me voice my opinions on different subjects."
*Zoe Holm* (10)

"My favorite school activity would be cross country because I love working with my teammates."
*Hunter Heinack* (10)

"I like being in baseball because I can mess around on the field with my friends."
*Blake Fritz* (10)

"My favorite school activity is basketball because I have been playing for a long time, and I like to think I am pretty good at it."
*Abbie Johns* (10)

*Clayton Cramer*
*Ashley Crawford*
*Victoria Crystaloski*
*Abigail Cyphert*
*Brian Davenport*

*Isabella Delia*
*Mia DeVito*
*Hannah Dickun*
*Daniel Dilick*
*Darren Dixon*

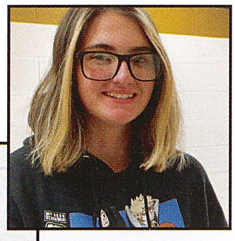
*Blaise Dobson*
*Cole Endlich*
*Max Evanovich*
*Noah Faber*
*Jason Flemm*

*Ryder Flick*
*Liam Foley*
*Xavior Ford*
*Blake Fritz*

"I'm part of a loud family. But, when I'm not around them or my close friends, I'm fairly quiet."

*Ainsley Lattimore* (10)

## Does your personality change from time to time?



## EXTROVERTS

Dave Harshman lies on top of the lockers. The 2003-2007 high school renovation replaced the yellow-gold lockers with navy blue ones throughout the school.

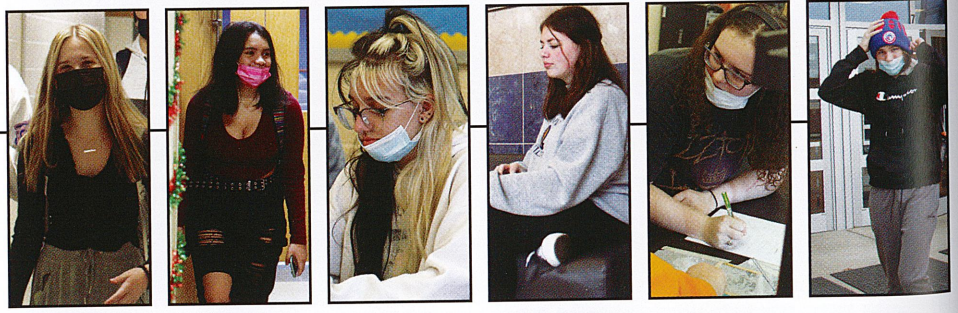
Photo: 1995 *Campus*, p. 72

*Savannah Fritz*
*Myah Fullard*
*Mia Fundrella*
*Joseph Galo*
*Calder Gee*
*Jackson Geltz*
*Samantha Gestner*
*Dalaney Gestrich*
*Jack Getty*
*Isaiah Gonzalez*
*Cole Graf*
*Mitchell Grafton*
*Vincent Gray*
*Aliahya Green*
*Anthony Gwinn*
*Ella Hainan*
*Julia Hanzlik*
*Tiffany Harmon*
*Philip Harris*
*Cannon Hayes*
*Ellie Hecker*
*Hunter Heinack*
*Alexander Hicks*
*Taygen Hill*
*Alexis Hoak*
*Mythaniel Hoak*
*Tyler Hobbins*
*Jace Hoe*
*Zoe Holm*
*Tatiana Holt*
*Jonathan Hoover*
*Kevin Hrobak*
*Jordyn Hudek*
*Dominic Husack*
*Ava Hutchinson*
*Joseph Iseman*
*Caden Jackson*
*Adalynn Jodon*
*Abigail Johns*
*Sarah Johnson*
*Kyle Kamer*
*Marie Karcher*
*Masyn Keibler*
*Isaac Kemerer*
*Nicholas Kemerer*
*Andrew Kerr*
*Abigail King*
*Francesca King*

# TELL ME *YOUR THOUGHTS*

Whether walking into the school, reading in Mrs. Baum's English class, waiting for friends to arrive to the upper cafeteria for lunch, or finishing a lab in Mrs. Scalise's chem class, thoughts ran in and out of our minds.

Six students disclosed what they thought of at particular times during the day.



7:32 AM

"I want to go back to sleep, and I am also looking forward to going home."

*Emerson Watkins* (10)

8:25 AM

"My first thought of the day is who is going to give me a dollar for a hot chocolate."

*Sylvia Chin* (10)

10:44 AM

"In my CAV room, I hope I don't get called out (by a teacher)."

*Dakota Wylie* (10)

10:52 AM

"I hope all my friends join me during Lunch and Learn."

*Skylar Arenth* (10)

12:15 PM

"After working through the questions for the chemistry lab, I realized how much I enjoyed doing this lab."

*Alexis Hoak* (10)

2:46 PM

"As I head out to the bus after a long day at school, I've got to make sure I look as good as I always do."

*Terry Martin* (10)

Photo: *C. Tursky* (10)

Photo: *C. Tursky* (10)

### Morning steps...

On an early December Day B, Marlie Tedesco (10) and Kylie Shondelmyer (10) get in morning steps before the start of fifth period. Shondelmyer said, "We usually just walk around in the mornings until the bell rings to go to class." On Day B, Shondelmyer headed to English with Mrs. Baum, and Tedesco went to geometry with Mr. Culler.

### Quick reboot...

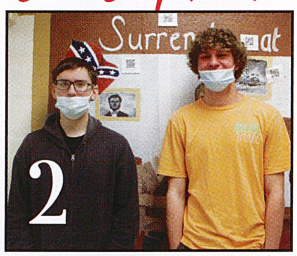
Just prior to lunch in his Cav Time room with Mrs. Eichner, Nathan Witt (10) catches a quick break to get ready to eat. "My Day B schedule is a bit rougher than my Day A one. There's a lot more work involved on B days, and I have to use my brain a lot more," Witt said. To add to his busy day, Witt lifted after school on Day Bs to prepare for baseball season.

## BEST advice

"MY DAD ALWAYS TOLD ME TO LISTEN TO CRITICISM. IT CAN ALWAYS MAKE YOU BETTER, BUT IT WILL NEVER MAKE YOU WORSE."

*CARTER LEVISKI (10)*

# Superlatives... sophomore edition



1) Best Friends Female
*Tatum Antimary* and *Samantha Jo Andrasy*

2) Best Friends Male
*Blake Fritz* and *Blaise Dobson*

3) Best Instrumentalist
*Ambur Orowitz* and *Calder Gee*

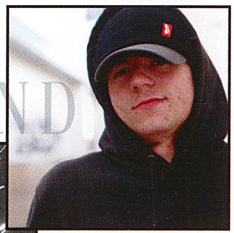
4) Best Sense of Humor
*Garrett Seymour* and *Sylvia Chin*

## DAILY GRIND

Did you ever hurt yourself when grinding metal?

"I got my glove caught one time because I wasn't paying attention. It didn't hurt since I didn't catch any skin, but my glove ripped in half."

*Nick Kemerer* (10)



To practice for his vertical welding certification, Mike Crocker grinds a flat piece of metal for a V-groove weld.

Photo: 2016 *Campus*, p. 101

*Tyler King*
*Ivan Klimek*
*Nina Konieczny*
*Ronald Krafick*
*Cody Kuehn*
*Megan Lamison*
*Ainsley Lattimore*
*Cameron Lawhorn Moore*

*Dylan Lehosky*
*Carter Leviski*
*Brooke Libent*
*Corey Long*
*Zachery Lookhart*
*Brenden Lott*
*Zoe Luffey*
*Emersyn Lynch*

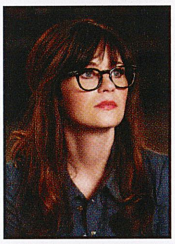
*Makenna MacLean*
*Travis Maga*
*Viola Marangoni*
*Carter Martin*
*Peyton Martin*
*Andrew Martindale*
*Larissa Martz*
*Jesse May*

*Kyra McCandless*
*Shawn McDonald*
*Demiuex McFadden*
*Ryan McGinnis*
*Declan McManus*
*Eliza Miller*
*Kandi Miller*
*Raymond Mintz*

# That show cracks me up

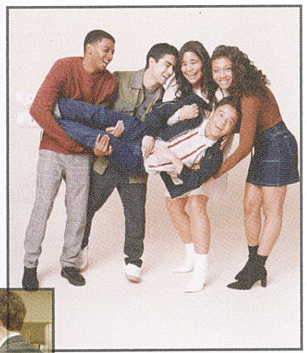
"I believe that *Schitt's Creek* is really funny because of the way the actors said each joke."

*Kevin Walsh* (10)



"A show that kept me laughing was *New Girl*. I really enjoyed the character Schmidt because he always had great one-liners and a really funny personality."

*Nina Konieczny* (10)



"I enjoy *On My Block*; the plot is very interesting and keeps you laughing. I enjoy the lines between Jamal and the gnome he is in love with."

*Savhanna Ruperto* (10)

"One show that is really funny and interesting to me is *Parks and Recreation*. I think it is funny because of Nick Offerman who plays Rob Swanson. He does a really nice job portraying his character."

*Declan McManus* (10)

# TRASH CAN *provides perfect* LIFT

## Silly idea makes for great angle on portrait

Story: *J. Glunt* (12)

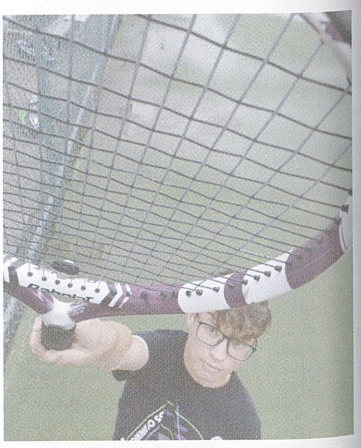
The typical funny photo contained one of the following: a camera filter, a goofy facial expression, an embarrassing scene, or some combination of the three. However, sometimes the photographer's actions made the shot hilarious.

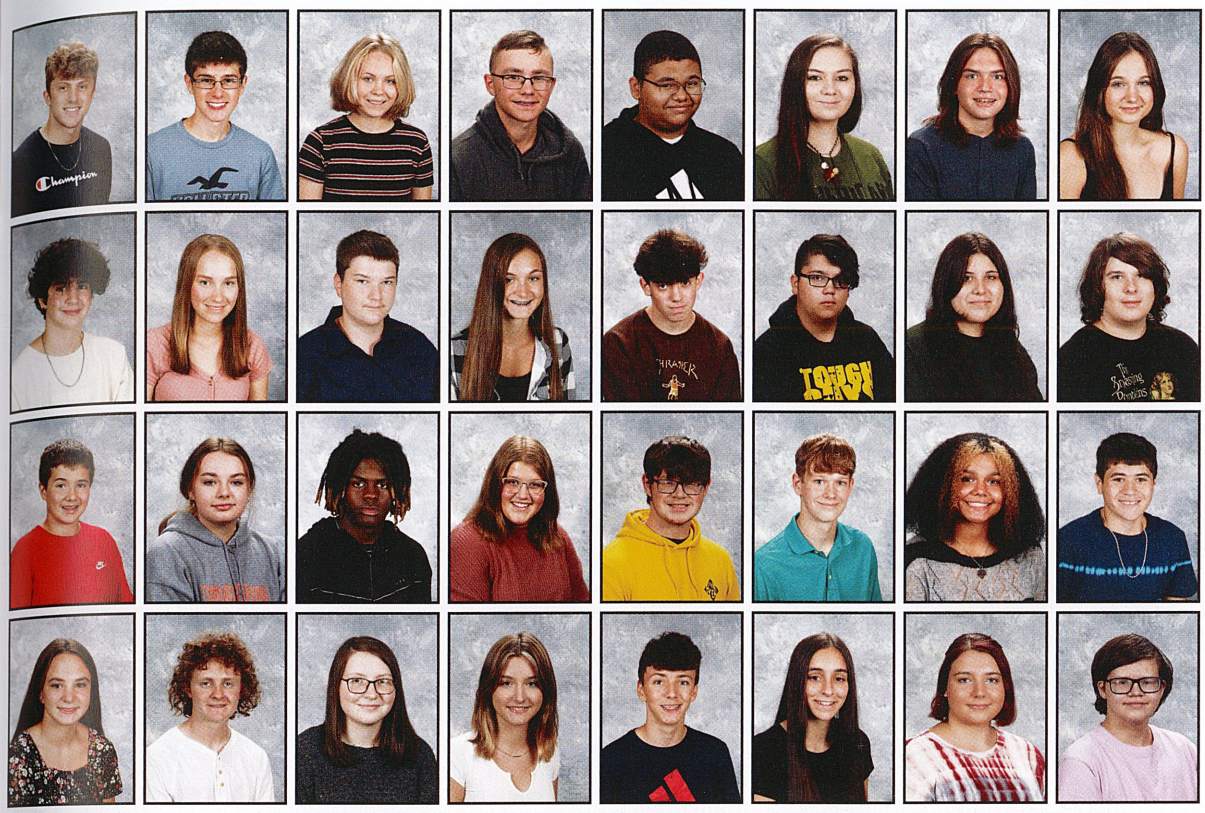
"My friend Faith Boyle (12) had a photography competition coming up, and she needed a model," Lindsay Bush (10) said. "I suggested it to my good friend Calder who just finished his tennis season. We ended up deciding to take photos of him at the tennis court with his racket, but we couldn't figure out a good angle."

Improvisation ensued.

"Faith pulled over a trash can and stood on it while I posed. It was a little rainy, but we got her the shots she needed," Calder Gee (10) said.

"The photos turned out well, even though we laughed the whole time," Bush said.





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*Luke Moran*
*Paige Moxon*
*Austin Moyer*
*Nicholas Neal*
*Nina Netzel*
*Zachary Obringer*
*Isabella Ondish*

*Evan Opaska*
*Ambur Orowitz*
*Tyler Patterson*
*Emma Peck*
*Hunter Perfetta*
*David Peters*
*Kacy Petersen*
*Kyle Petersen*

*Drake Pettigrew*
*Natalie Pflum*
*Tayquan Phelps*
*Heidi Plazio*
*Alexander Plusquellec*
*Peter Poremski*
*Leah Prunty*
*Anthony Pusateri*

*Mackenzie Rainey*
*Brandon Ray*
*Brenna Reed*
*Chloe Reed*
*Gabriel Reiner*
*Abigail Reynolds*
*Phoebe Richard*
*Fred Ridener*

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

Photo: *S. McMeans* (fac)

## *Quick sleep...*

During play practice, Ava Hutchinson (10) pretends to fall asleep in a comfy chair. Hutchinson said, "During points at practice, someone would just yell 'quick, sleep,' then we would all fall over and pretend to sleep. It was really fun." Hutchinson enjoyed doing comical gestures around the auditorium while at play practice.

## *Oh, what a tangled web...*

In a web of white wire, Bella Bendtsen (10) does her best to prepare the atrium for the holiday. Bendtsen said, "It was a hassle putting up the Christmas lights because they were all tangled up." She also said that she thought the atrium gleamed from all the decorations.

"My sister Kennedy (7) and I laugh at my dad a lot because he's always making dad jokes."

*Victoria Berberich* (10)

## Who in the family gets you laughing the most?

HILARIOUS

In the senior hallway, the Big K Gorilla and Debbie Fish proudly stand still for a shot that made its way into the yearbook.

Photo: 1776 *Campus*, p. 161

### *Furry little friend...*

As a Christmas gift when she was 10, Delaney Bell (10) owns a chinchilla named Oscar. Bell said, "He's super active. He loves running on all of the different levels of his cage. When we walk into the room, he immediately expects a treat." In 2015, her parents surprised her with the fluffy gift. They had previously told her that she would never own a chinchilla.

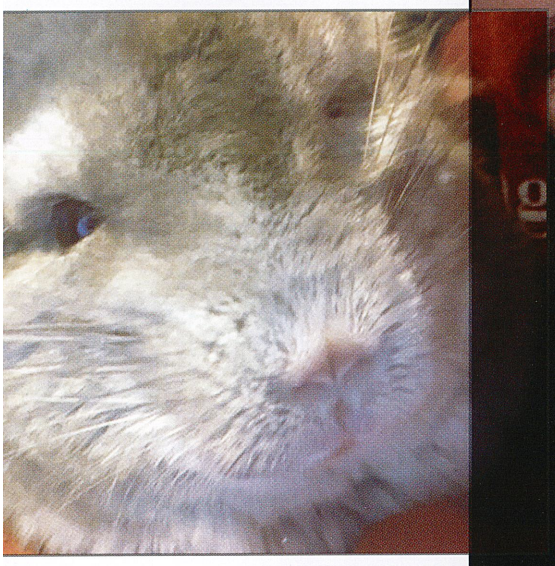


Photo: *D. Bell* (10)

### *Something's fishy...*

As she holds her cell phone out to take a selfie, Natalie Pflum (10) cradles Mink, her five-year-old cat. "She absolutely doesn't like to be held, so this was a tough shot to take; she's skiddish to begin with." Pflum said that Mink especially liked Purina Friskies Pate, salmon flavored.

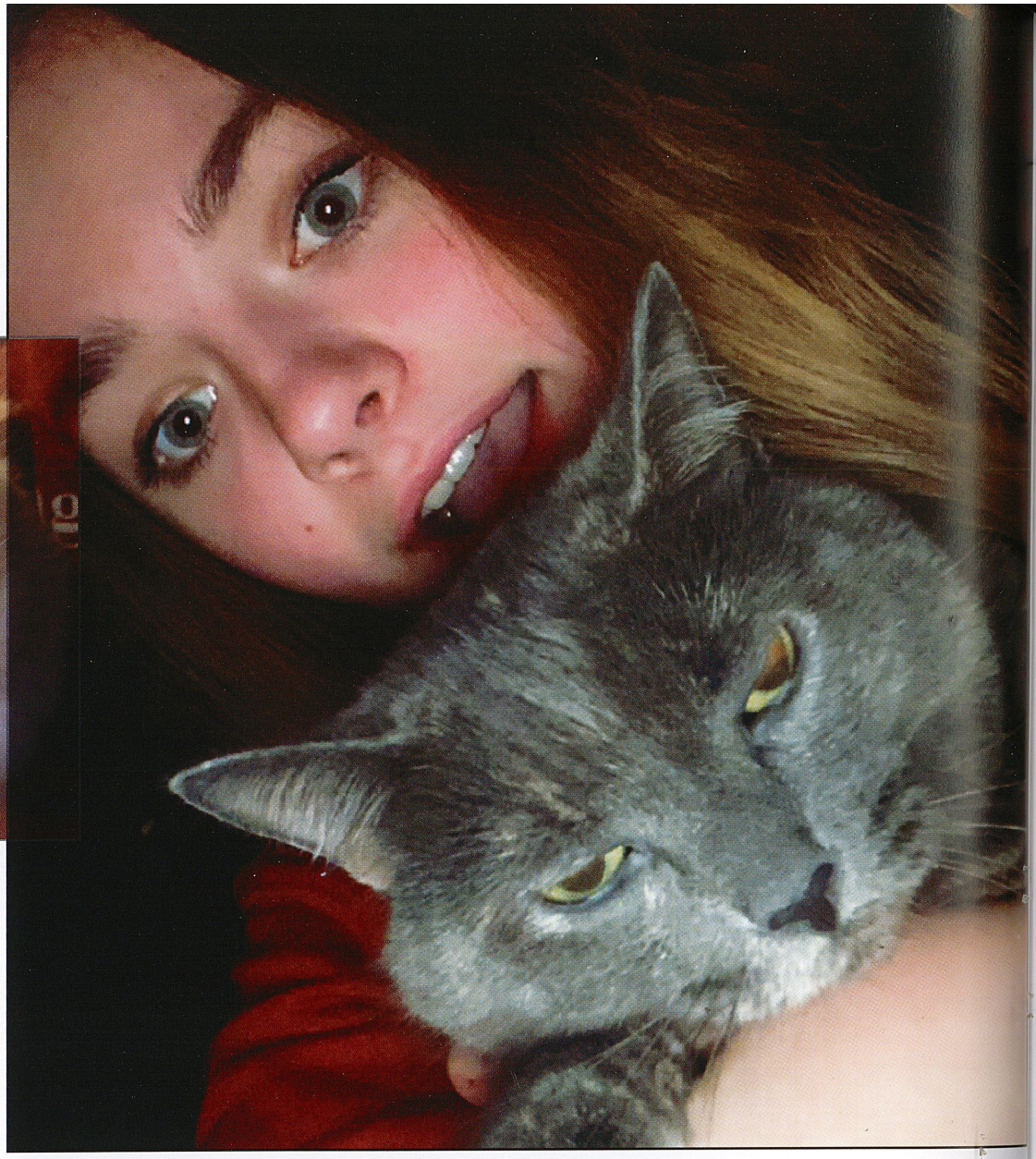


Photo: *N. Pflum* (10)

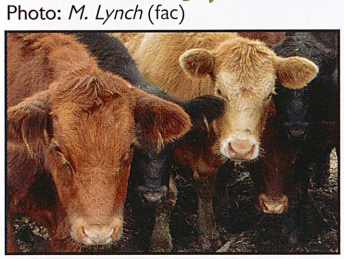
# HERE A MOO

## *there a moo, everywhere a moo moo*

Dwellers discuss aspects of living on a working farm

Story: *L. Getty* (11)

Photo: *M. Lynch* (fac)



### *She heard the herd...*

Like ducks in a row, baby cows on the Bowman Farm in Bell Township line up to say hello to Mrs. Lynch as she gets the mail. "The cows on the farm are very friendly and love human interaction," Lynch said. A variety of types, colors, and sizes made up the herd.

Seventeen pigeons, 150 chickens, two ducks, 18 dogs, 40 cows, and 40 pigs. Life on a farm could get crowded, overwhelming, and even smelly.

For three sophomores, living on a working farm had both its positives and negatives. At his family's farm near Northmoreland Park, Carter Martin (10) discussed a predator that entered the property.

"We once had a fox that set up her den near our house. The fox kept killing our chickens. We ended up getting our dog Hector (Catahoula breed) to protect the birds. He ended up killing and eating the fox, as well as her cubs."

Still, one student talked about times where she had to pitch in.

Emersyn Lynch (10) said, "I have helped out from time to time. I have loaded and unloaded hay and cleaned out the barn and stalls."

However, not all aspects of farm life proved difficult. Some brought joy.

"Despite not having much responsibility over the land and animals, I enjoy taking my dogs on long walks every day because of how much land we have," Hannah Dickun (10) said.

Similarly, Lynch said, "I love being surrounded by my whole family since we all live on the Bowman land. Some people say that there's a stench to the property, but 15 years living there has made me immune. We have a total of 130 acres, and we love four-wheeling, hunting, and fishing on the land. It's a great life."

# BEST advice

"KEEP THE REMOTE AWAY FROM YOUR GUINEA PIGS... THEY LIKE TO EAT BUTTONS."

Jesse May (10)

*Kaitlyn Ritter*
*Paul Roberts*
*Joshua Roden*
*Brad Rupert*
*Savhanna Ruperto*
*Aaliyah Russo*
*Madalaine Scalise*
*James See*

*Alyssa Seibel*
*Chad Seibel*
*Trinity Seibel*
*Landon Seman*
*Riley Senita*
*Garrett Seymour*
*Sara Shannon*
*Riley Shearer*

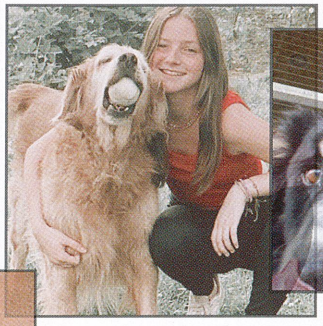
*Lillian Shellhammer*
*Angelina Shirey*
*Kylie Shondelmyer*
*Carly Shupe*
*Madison Shuss*
*Faith Skowronek*
*Madison Slomka*
*Jacob Smith*

*Ayden Sowers*
*Jacob Stankay*
*Marissa Steele*
*Brandon Stiffy*
*Reilly Sullivan*
*Natalie Swartz*
*Collin Tantlinger Webb*
*Sade Taylor*

*Marlie Tedesco*
*Kurt Tesche*
*Noah Thimons*
*Brian Thomas*
*Johnathan Toy*
*Caylie Tursky*
*Katyna Wagner*
*Jazlyn Walker*

# Waggy tails, licks, and jumps of joy

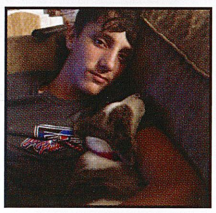
"Red and I were out hunting rabbits. He finds them, and then he chases them back to where I am so I can get a clear shot. He's about five years old and a big baby."
*Victoria Crystaloski* (9)



"We have had Sherlock Holm for about a year now. He's a sheepadoodle. He's super hyper during the day, although he does like to cuddle in the mornings. He likes to steal things and have you chase him to get it back."
*Zoe Holm* (10)

"In our backyard, Callie and I were playing ball. She's really good at fetching the ball. She has a real problem with handing it over. She's a Golden Retriever, and we've had her for 14 years."
*Tatiana Holt* (10)

"Bodhi and I have been together for eight years. I got him on my ninth birthday. Surprisingly, we were both born on August 31."
*Heidi Plazio* (10)



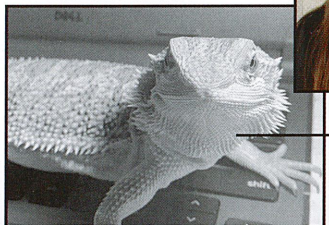
"Paco and I took this picture on our back porch. He is an Australian Shepherd, and we've had him for about eight years. He always has to be touching us, and he loves pears off the ground from our back yard."
*Nina Konieczny* (10)

"We have had Clara for about a year now. We actually got her in Ohio. My uncle got a Catahoula first. We also have four more dogs at home."
*Carter Martin* (10)

"It's so ironic. The day I was asked to answer this question was his birthday. He's two. He's just a little bit bigger than he was last year. He's still as crazy as ever."
*Victoria Crystaloski* (10)

PETS

Provide an update on Rafael.



While Victoria Crystaloski attempts to log in to her Geometry class, her bearded dragon Rafael decides to take over her Chromebook.

Photo: 2021 *Campus*, p. 30

# KNOCKED off HIS FEET

Story: *R. Frye* (11)

## Student recalls colossal hit that ends game

"Teammates were coming up to me after it happened and were punching me, saying 'You just knocked him clean out,' 'good job,'" Brock Wilkins (12) said.

The Kiski Area Cavaliers vs. The Franklin Regional Panthers football game ended with Wilkins carrying out a play that knocked Panther's player #18 out for about 10 minutes.

"I was jumping out of pure happiness because the dude was running his mouth so much, and Brock just knocked him out," Andrew Westcoat (10) said.

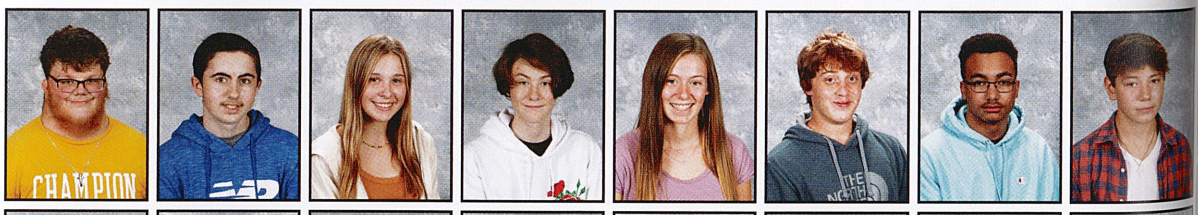
While an unfortunate turnout for Franklin Regional, "It was the coolest play in my career," Wilkins said with a smile on his face, "I was tired, and I knew that when I hit him, the game was over, so I was pretty excited."

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

### *Good times at Dilts Beach...*

At the football game against Butler, Makenna MacLean (10) leans over to tell Reilly Sullivan (10) to take a look at the camera. Sullivan said, "When she told me to look, I did, but I also just started busting out laughing." Sullivan attended almost all of the football games, but liked the neon night against Connellsville.

*Kevin Walsh*
*Daniel Walters*
*Emerson Watkins*
*Skylar Watterson*
*Chloe Welshans*
*Andrew Westcoat*
*Miles Whaley*
*Ronin Wilczek*



*Tavian Wilson*
*Nathan Witt*
*Conor Wolfgang*
*Dakota Wylie*
*Rylee Yeager*
*Nicole Yohe*
*Benjamin Young*
*Jack Young*

*Dominic Yurkovich*
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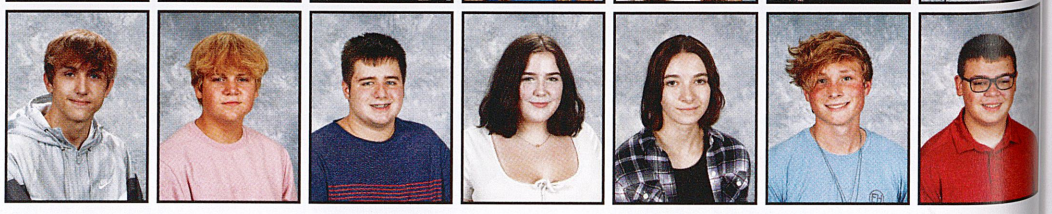


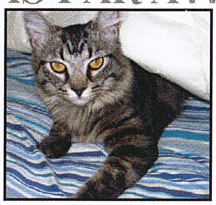
*What happens when you get near it or eat it?*

# KEEP ME AS FAR AWAY FROM THIS AS POSSIBLE

### Pine

"I have an allergy to pine, so I can't have a real Christmas tree or go hiking/hunting in the woods without my allergies flaring up."

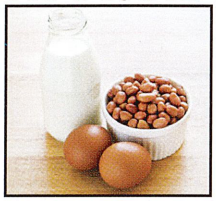
*Alexis Hoak* (9)



### Cats

"Around cats, my eyes swell up really big; I sneeze; my nose gets stuffy; my throat gets itchy; and I can't breathe."

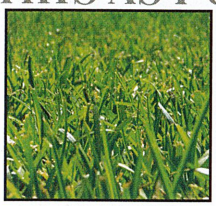
*Brenna Reed* (10)



### Wide Variety

"I'm allergic to gluten, soy, milk, eggs, and nuts. If I eat those foods, I end up vomiting and stuck in bed, suffering in pain."

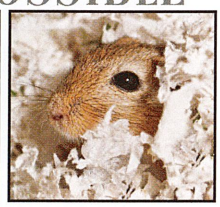
*Paul Roberts* (10)



### Grass

"When I'm around freshly cut grass or if it gets on me, I get super itchy."

*Andrew Westcoat* (10)



### Gerbils

"If I'm around gerbils, my eyes become swollen, and I can't breathe."

*Kevin Walsh* (10)

### Penicillin

"After taking penicillin, I've been known to get ear infections and a tight throat."

*Savhanna Westcoat* (10)

Photo: *P. Fantaski* (fac)

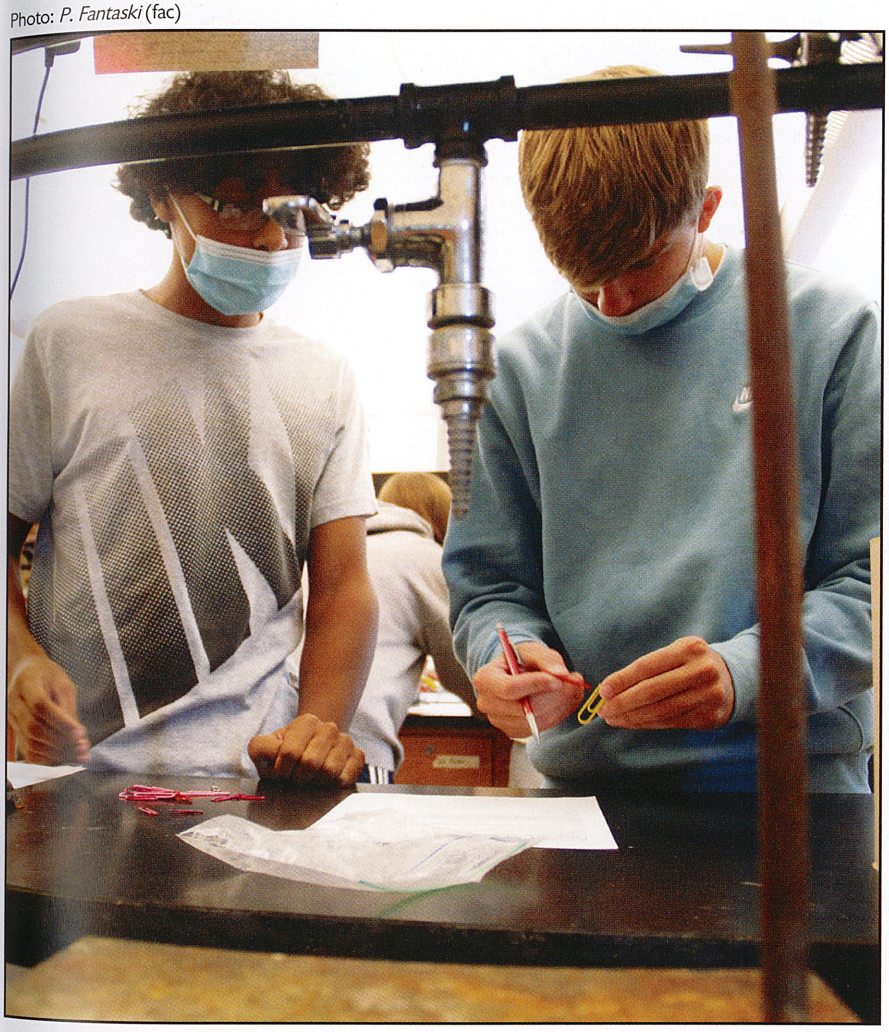
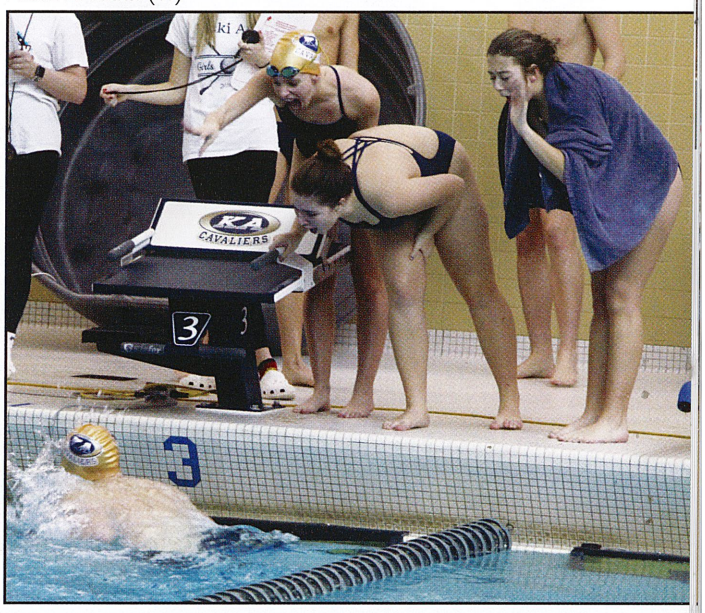


Photo: *A. Tucker* (11)




### Compound clipture...

As Demiuex McFadden (10) and Landon Seman (10) sort paper clips, they learn about compounds using a tangible model. McFadden and Seman both said, "That lab was so long ago, I remember we sorted the paper clips to represent something, but you might want to ask Mrs. Scalise what it was for." They really liked the synthesis and decomposition lab in chemistry because they filled a beaker with gas to make a popping sound.

### Shout, shout, let it all out...

During the boys' 200 free relay, Mia DeVito (10) yells words of encouragement to Landon Seman (10). "We have a lot of new freshmen swimmers on the team that are really fast, so there are less spots available to swim in," DeVito said. She started swimming competitively eight years ago and participated with the Cavalier Swim Club for three years with the 100 breaststroke as her specialty.

## no picture TAKEN

*Gabrielle Bair*
*Shawna Basara-Tingler*
*Christopher Bishop*
*Alaya Blose*
*Adrianna Carlisle*
*Cameryn Conrad*
*Gage Crusan*
*Courtney Democko*
*Jonathan Dibler*
*Cody Fox*
*Ariana Frame*
*Carmine Guzzi*
*Maria Heath*
*Caleb Hoak*
*Jaren Jackson*
*Taleen Jawoosh*
*Braden Jones*
*Gabriel Koehnlein*
*Hailey Landry*
*Terry Martin*
*Shaun Neal*
*Tristen Nguyen*
*Kaelyn Phillips*
*Odelys Rivera*
*Morgan Sabedra*
*John Shirey*
*Tametria Shirey*
*Rhyheim Sutton*
*Emmanuel Thompson*
*William Uhing*
*Jeffrey Walker*
*Mackenzie Williams*
*Samantha Yonek*

"I'm pretty much the only person in my family to not be allergic to anything. It feels awesome because I can do what I want without worrying about having a reaction to it."

*Mark Karcher* (10)

## REACTIONS

Discuss your allergies or lack of allergies.

As voted by the senior class, Mitchell Posney and Martina Webb, winners of the "Loves Animals More Than People" category, display their pets.

Photo: 2020 *Campus*, p. 235

# WE MISSED *out on big, small things*

Story: *R. Frye* (11)

BEST *advice*

"ALWAYS KEEP YOUR HEAD UP HIGH AND LOOK FORWARD. NEVER LET PEOPLE BRING YOU DOWN."

*SAMANTHA BRANDT(9)*

## Students discuss most missed items from past

*Songs with a message...*

*The Fresh Beat Band* had four characters going on adventures and solving everyday problems. Fan Jordan Peterson (9) said, "I really love music, and I loved that there was this show that had wonderful songs with morals for issues that we deal with every day. It was a great show, and I miss it so much." *The Fresh Beat Band* ran from 2009 to 2013.

The memories came flooding back when thinking about varied aspects of childhood. From TV shows to everyday happenings, youthful experiences molded us all. As many of these items no longer existed, individuals from around the school tell what they miss most.

"I personally miss Red Ribbon Week and field trips from my elementary school years," Emily Zornow (9) said.

"I miss running out on the field with my fellow students after an amazing victory from the football team," Nathan Summerhill (9) said.

This kicked off just the beginning of missed things within students' lives. The shows, trips, people, activities that disappeared right out from under us will always leave a trail of memories.

"We were supposed to go to Disney for vacation, but COVID hit, and that trip got canceled. To say that I was sad would not do it justice," Baylee Davis (9) said.

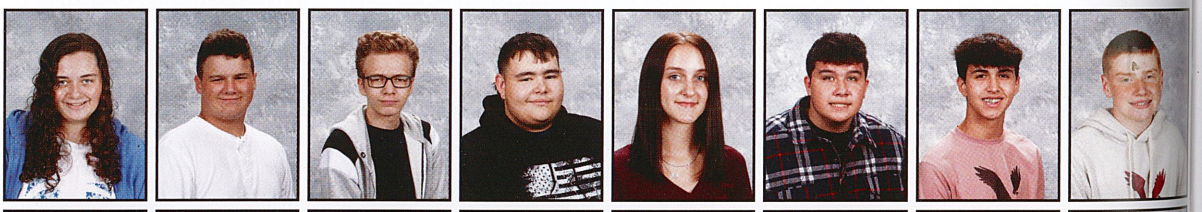
"I miss the school holiday parties that we used to have; they were always fun and brought smiles to every student in that class," Jordan Bielunis (9) said.

It is safe to say that nearly everyone missed something that no longer existed in society.

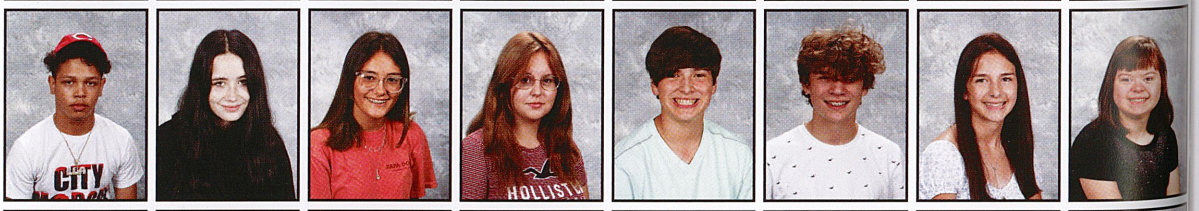
"I long for them to bring back all the Netflix shows that ended with a cliffhanger," Emily Sarti (9) said.

"I miss *The Fresh Beat Band* because it was my favorite show as a kid, and the songs are forever lodged in my heart," Jordan Peterson (9) said.

*Aryonna Abbott*
*Blaize Adams*
*Beren Adkins*
*John Akins*
*Savannah Allshouse*
*Harrison Amick*
*Makian Aughenbaugh*
*Austin Bachar*



*Yansi Bassett*
*Julia Baum*
*Rose Bennett-Powell*
*Emily Bertelle*
*Jordan Bielunis*
*Branden Bigley*
*Mckenna Black*
*Renae Blystone*



*Ethan Bombalski*
*Faith Booher*
*Drake Borello*
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*Kameron Bowman*
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*Samantha Brandt*
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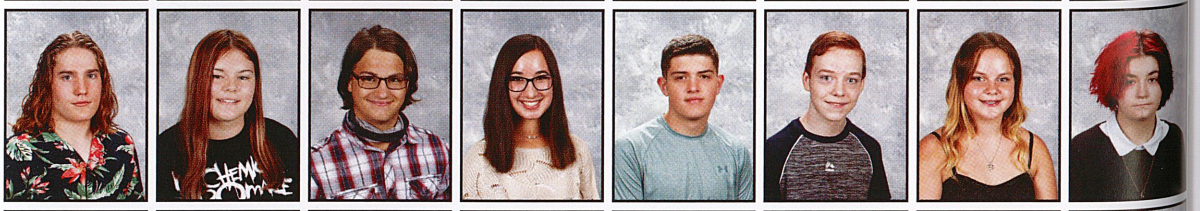


*JaQuay Butler*
*Alexis Carricato*
*Sydney Cerminara*
*Kody Cessna*
*Alexa Chess*
*Isabella Ciuca*
*Lauren Ciuca*
*Grant Claypool*

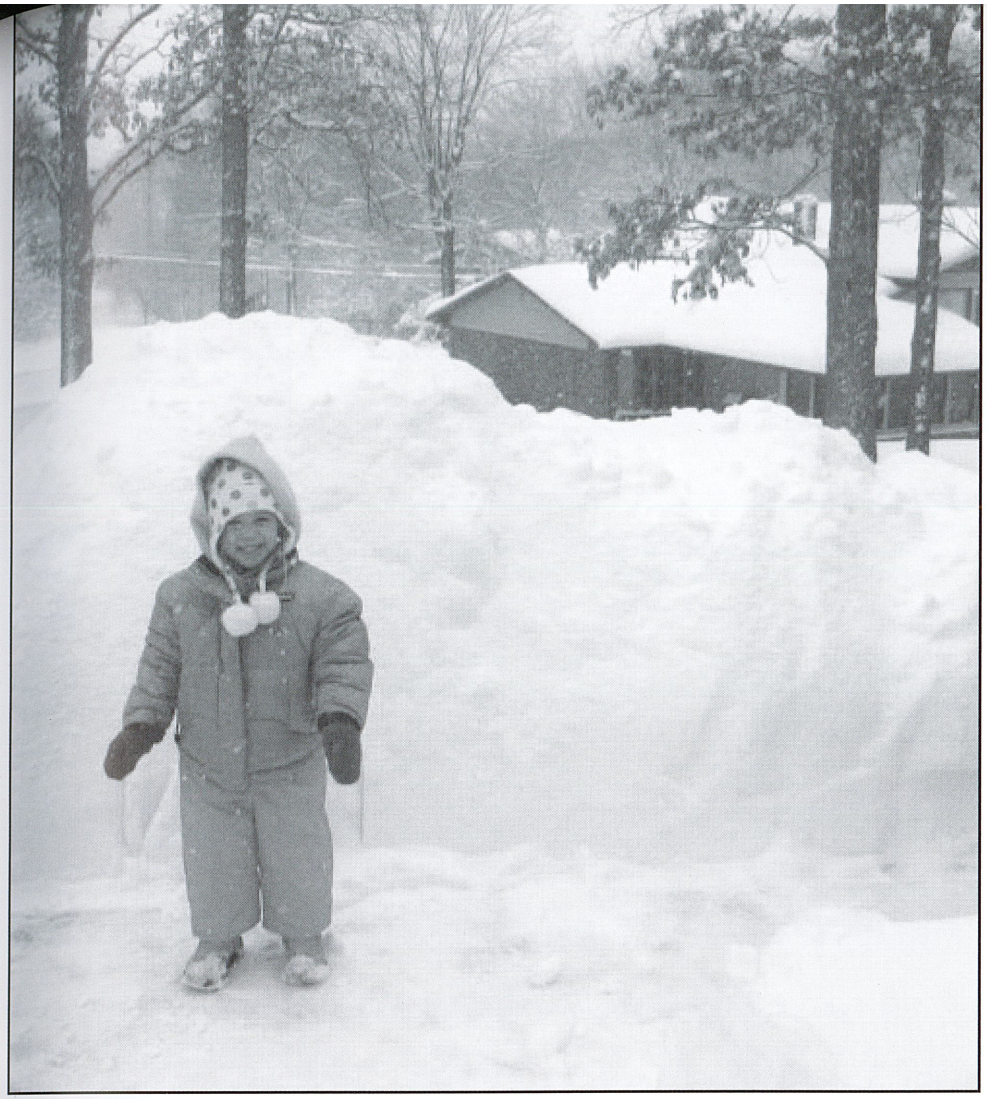


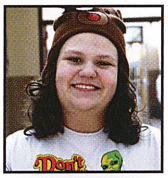
Photo: *L. Euchler* (par)

*Can't cancel cold...*

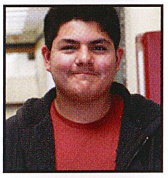
Surrounded in a winter wonderland, Sydney Euchler (9) poses in the snow as her picture gets taken. "My favorite activity in the snow is sled riding with friends and making hot chocolate afterwards," Euchler said. She admired looking outside her window at the fall snow.

# CLASS *all winter* LONG

What will you forever miss about a snow day?



"I will miss the opportunity and relief to get to go back to bed."
*Victoria Remencus* (9)



"I will definitely miss being able to sleep in because I don't get much sleep in the first place."
*Ignacio Ramirez-Villaneuva* (9)

"I will miss not being able to hang out with my friends on a snow day because now we have to do our work virtually."
*Joseph Stillions* (9)

"I won't be able to experience the sensation of not having to do anything for that day."
*Alivia Sherbondy* (9)

"I'll most miss going out a being able to play in the snow with my dog Piper."
*Addi Wright* (9)

*Ty Conner*
*Kathryn Connors*
*Cameryn Conrad*
*Alexander Coutch*
*Courtney Creighton*

*Griffin Croney*
*Dalton Custer*
*Lauren Cyphert*
*Alexander D'Orazio*
*Baylee Davis*

*Nicholas Debich*
*Brianna Derucki*
*Leah Derzic*
*Emma DeSanto*
*Joseph DiNinno*

*Elijah Dobson*
*Joseph Dodek*
*Broady Doland*
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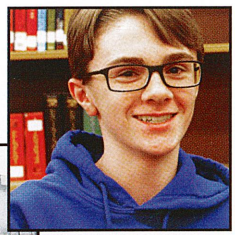
"I do not support canceling culture because it does not make any sense to me. It's very stupid."

*John Glunt* (9)

Discuss your thoughts or viewpoint on cancel culture.



CANCELED

On Tuesday, the third of June, tornados devastated the Kiski-Valley area. This Meadowbrook house in Allegheny Township lost its entire roof and second floor.

Photo: 1981 *Campus*, p. 3

*Rayne Duva*
*Riley Eck*
*Ryder Ekas*
*Sydney Euchler*
*Lilly Ewing*
*Farah Farabaugh*
*Leyanna Ferguson*
*Landon Fitch*

*Michael Fouse*
*Gavin Fowkes*
*Ryan Franklin*
*Elijah Freeman*
*Charles Frick*
*Rebekah Frye*
*Brayden Gardone*
*Teagan Gee*

*Luke Geltz*
*Caleb George*
*Lucia Giordano*
*William Glentzer*
*John Glunt*
*Caleigh Graham*
*Mark Gray*
*James Grimm*

*Justin Gross*
*Gracie Guido*
*Donald Hall*
*Seth Hall*
*Dominick Hand*
*Tylar Hanley*
*Joseph Harbison-Wallace*
*Caroline Harmon*

*Harry Harshman*
*Carson Heinle*
*Ja'miya Henderson*
*Naudia Henry*
*Isaac Hessom*
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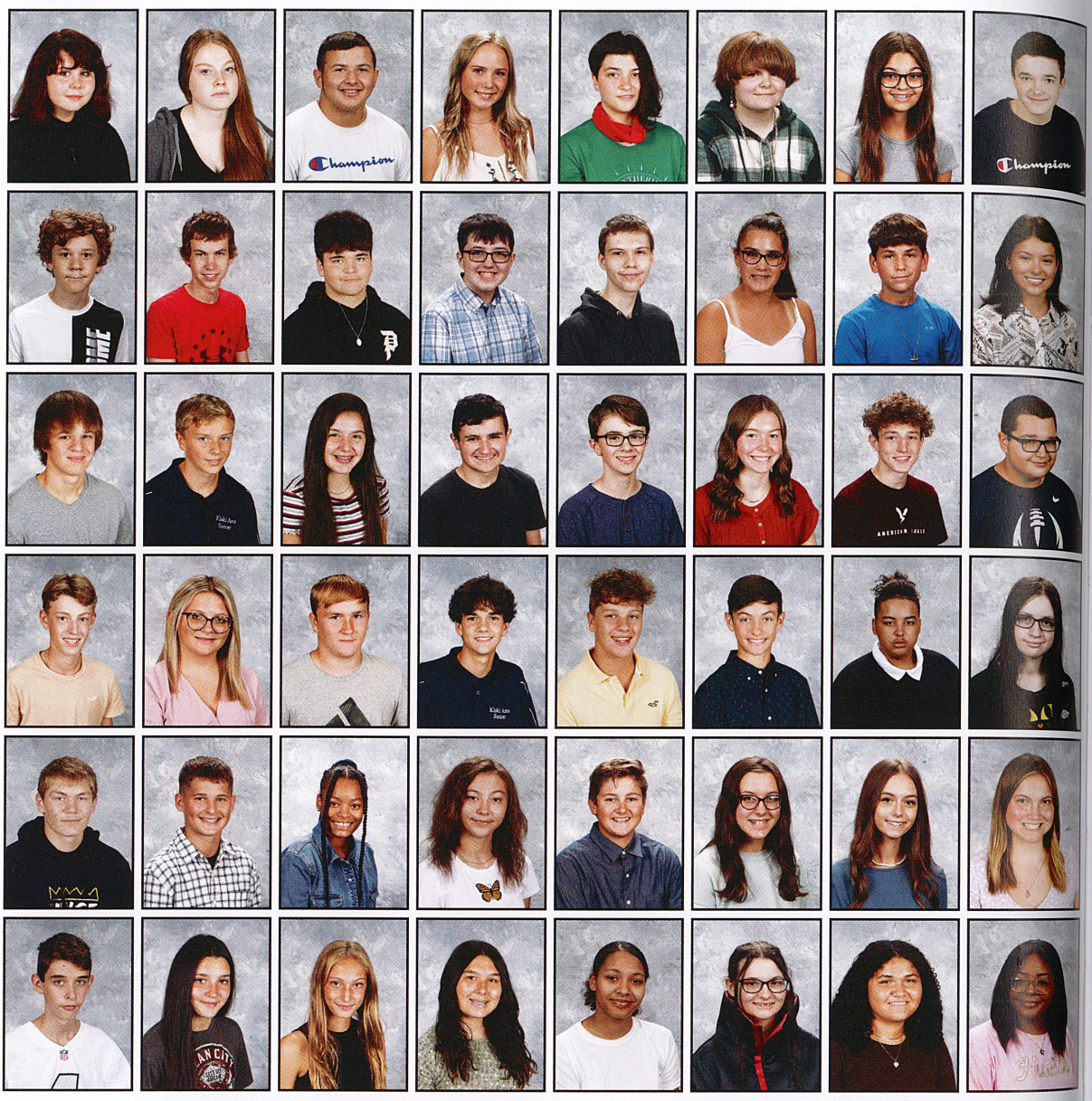


# SALT *OR SWEET?*

During the late hours of night, hunger set in, and we all reached for that favorite snack. From a bag of crunchy chips to a bowl of smooth ice cream, sometimes it became a daunting task to find that one single food that would work. However, six freshmen knew exactly what would satisfy their grumbling stomachs around midnight.

*Pop Tart*

"My all time midnight snack would have to be S'mores Pop Tarts. So good."

*Dimitri Spagnola* (9)

*Doritos*

"I would definitely reach for Doritos. Cool Ranch would be my choice."

*Nick Debich* (9)

*Froot Loops*

"Probably a bowl of Froot Loops with milk because they're my favorite cereal."

*Natavia Wilson* (9)

*Goldfish*

"If it's the middle of the night, I usually go for Goldfish because they're *fire*."

*Cameron Murphy* (9)

*Milkshake*

"Vanilla milkshakes with sprinkles is a must—preferably with rainbow sprinkles."

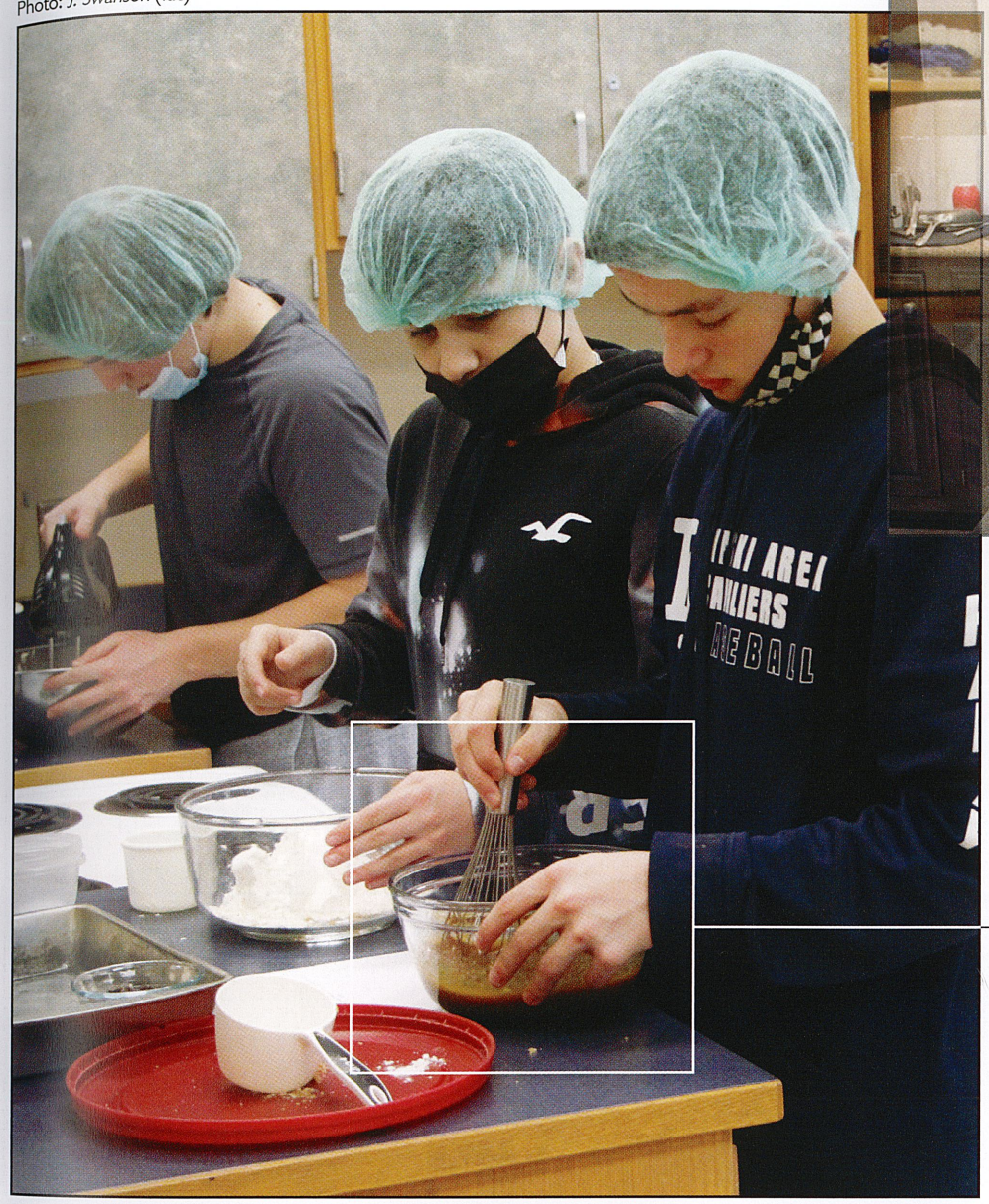
*Reagan Hewitt* (9)

*Beef Sticks*

"In the late evening, it would have to be beef sticks because I like meat."

*Joey Trapani* (9)

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)



Submitted: *T. Kush* (9)

### Sweet rewards...

While in Mrs. Novak's Principles of Baking and Pastry class, Matthew Vigna (9) and Tylar Hanley (9) whip up some cookies. "My favorite part is getting to eat the food I make afterwards," Vigna said. He also indicated that he originally scheduled the class so he could eat more at school.

### More cheese, please...

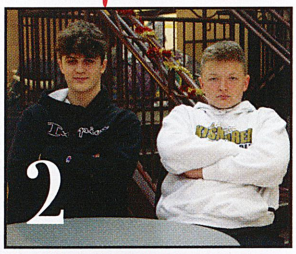
In Room 138, Tyler Kush (9) grates some parmesan cheese over his pasta which he made himself. "I really like cooking because it brings my family together," Kush said. He had cooked for about four years and enjoyed experimenting with new recipes.

## BEST advice

"WHEN WHISKING, YOU WANT TO MAKE SURE YOU WHISK AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE FOR LIQUIDS SO MORE AIR IS INCORPORATED. WHISK DRY INGREDIENTS SLOWER."

*MRS. NOVAK* (fac)

# Superlatives... freshman edition



1) Best Friends Female
*Paige Kunkle* and *Abbey Howes*

2) Best Friends Male
*Connor Jordan* and *Cameron Murphy*

3) Most Country
*Rosie Bennett* and *Luke Geltz*

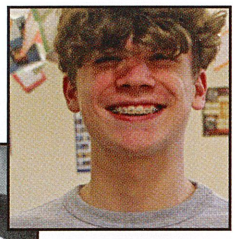
4) Best Sense of Humor
*Ryder Ekas* and *Rayne Duva*

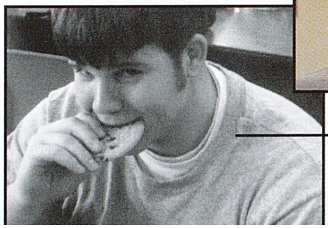
## GOOD EATS

Discuss the strangest food that you've ever eaten.

"I have tried escargot, and I absolutely hated it. It's just terrible."

*Branden Bigley* (9)





Who doesn't love a chocolate chip cookie? More recently, fans called them "Sweet Treats." In the lower cafeteria, Brad Little finished off his lunch with one.

Photo: 1998 *Campus*, p. 51

*Connor Jordan*
*Madeline Joyce*
*Lily Junod*
*Ezra Keitzer*
*Chase Keller*
*Colin Keller*
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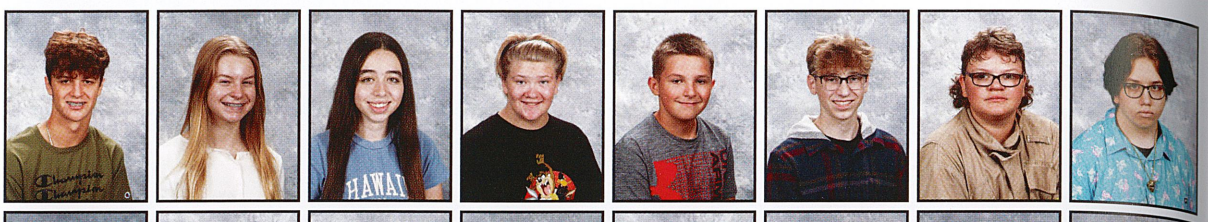

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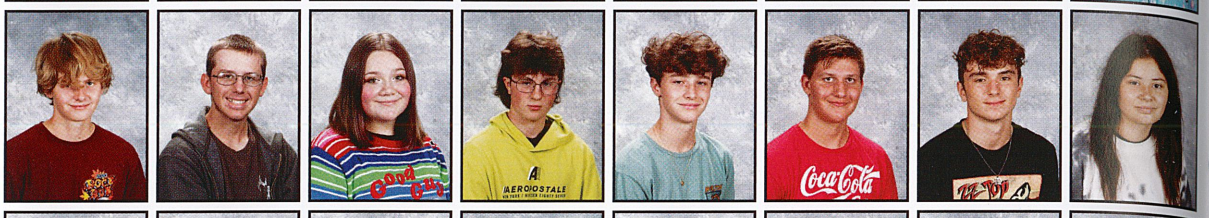

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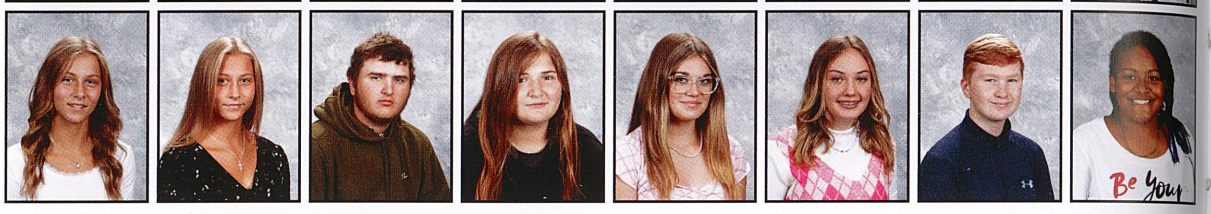


# Advice to my future self

"Don't worry as much, and stay calm. Everything will be fine and work out in the end."

*Ella Volpe* (9)

"Surround yourself with people who will love and support you. Don't give in to negative comments or give in to negativity."

*Erica Shamburg* (9)

"Do your best, and just don't be dumb or reckless in what you do."

*Brady Williams* (9)

"Even when it gets difficult, never give up because in the end, it will be worth it."

*Kelina Smith* (9)

# LOOKING up to our HIGH

## Students discuss their idols

Story: *A. Carion* (11)

Students' role models originated from various areas of life, including family, friends, celebrities, and educators. For Branden Bigley (9), his dad served as his inspiration.

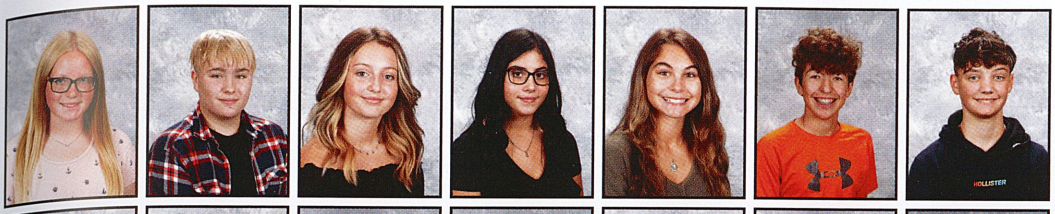
"I look up to my dad because he motivates me every day to be a better person. He motivates me to keep pushing and be the best version of myself I can be," Bigley said,"he inspires me just simply by being my dad."

Landon Kucic (9) sought an idol farther from home and named Cam Newton as the person he looked up to.

"Cam Newton is the main reason I got into football," said Kucic, "I'm inspired by his work ethic. He worked hard for what he has accomplished."

While many people looked up to sports players, someone as common as a teacher could also have a great impact on someone's life. Tiffany Stitt (9) claimed Mrs. Royer had the biggest impact on her.

"Because Mrs. Royer always makes the classes fun, and she is really good at teaching Spanish," Stitt said, "she inspires me by just being encouraging and overall, she is just the best."



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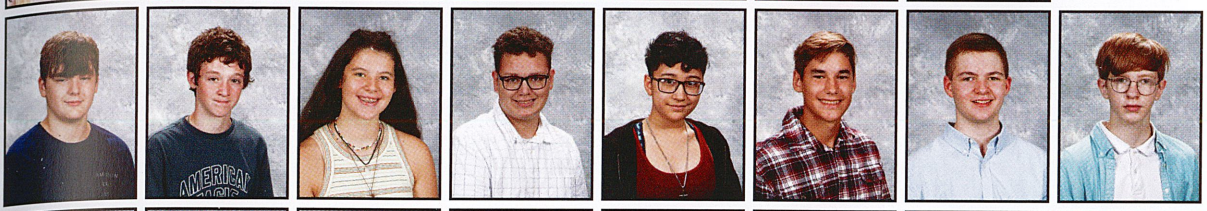

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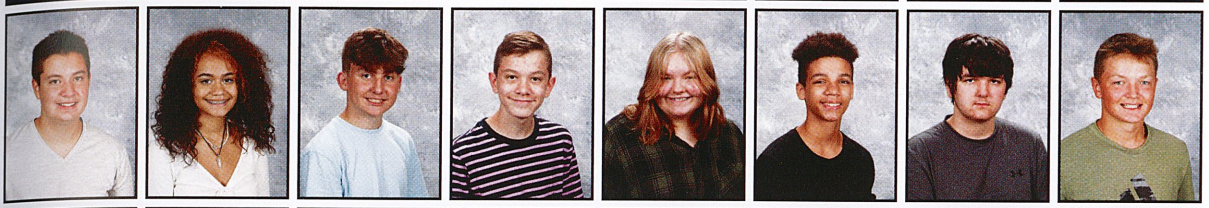

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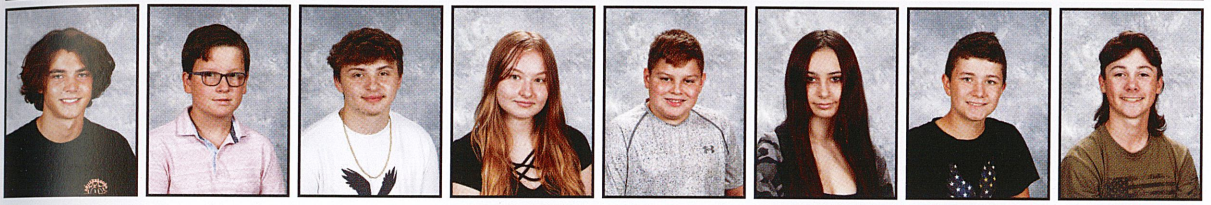

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Photo: *G. Wilferd* (11)

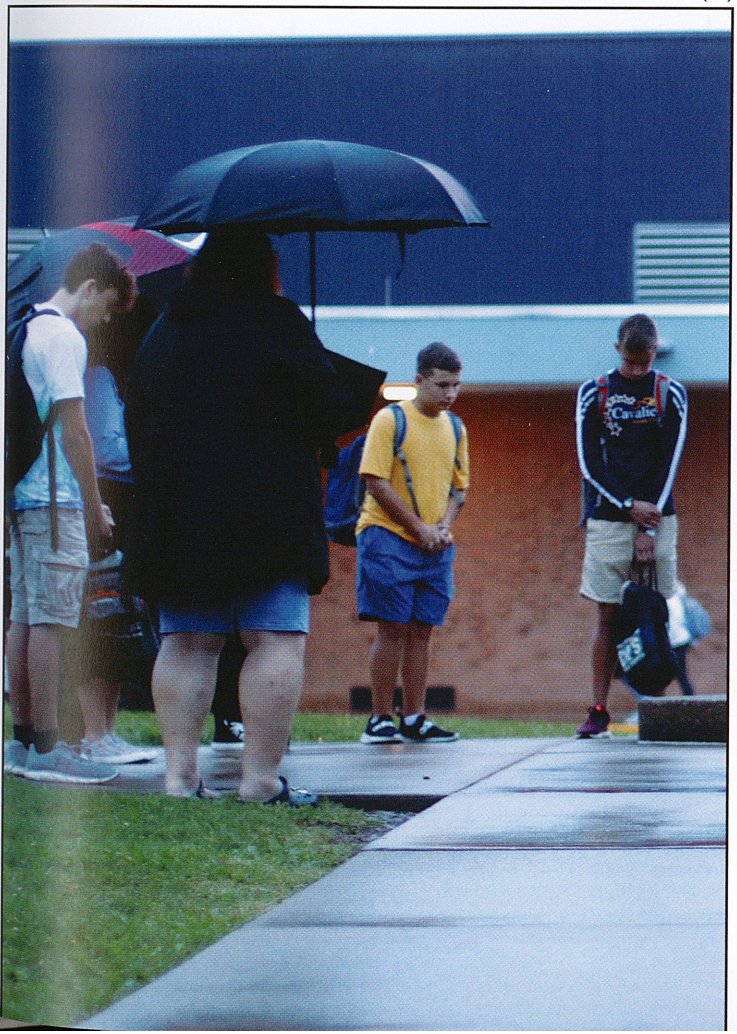


Photo: *E. Mellinger* (11)

## *Watch those hands...*

On the vibraphone, Aiden Prawatya (9) gets his rhythmic cues from drum major Camille Graham (12). Prawatya said, "It's quite important that we all watch the conductor's hands while we perform. If we don't, we get out of time, and it all falls apart." He also played drums and the piano at home.

## *See you at the pole...*

On Wednesday, September 22 around the front flagpole, members of Bible Club meet early in the morning to pray over our country. Alec Tucker (9) said, "I wanted to join Bible Club because my sister has been in it. I also enjoyed praying for our nation's missionaries." After the event, Bible Club provided snacks for those who attended.

"I hope to one day become a successful music educator because I have always had a passion for music."

*Sydney Cerminara* (9)

Discuss a future goal that you have for yourself.

LOOK UP

On vacation in the Outer Banks of North Carolina, Zak Murcock and Brittney Heater clear the waves and look up before they take flight.

Photo: 2008 *Campus*, p. 8

### *Lots of treble here...*

Performing for his seventh grade chorus concert, Jacob Walker (9) sings his heart out. Walker said, "I had originally joined chorus thinking it would be an easy 'A,' but I didn't enjoy it as much as I thought I would. He sang tenor for two years with Mrs. Heiny at the intermediate school

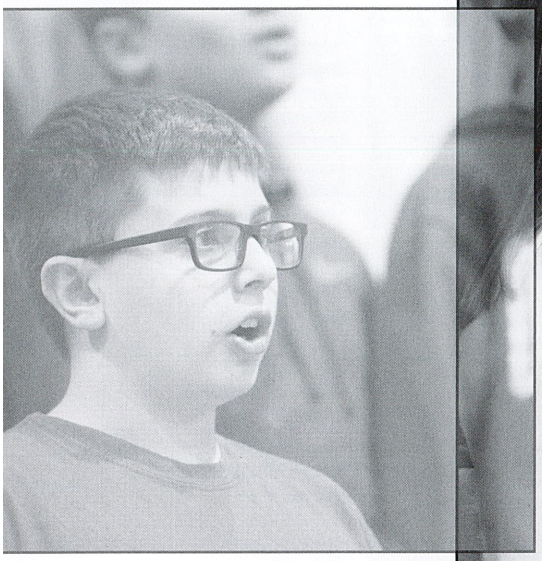


Photo: 2020 *Transition*

### *Practice pays off...*

Prepared to play for the school, Angelina Bossio, Jordan Peterson, and Cheyenne Guyer (all 9) look at their music. Bossio said, "I started playing the clarinet because the skill has been passed down in my family for generations." Her dad's side of the family have all played the clarninet, and she practiced playing the instrument for two hours a day, five days a week.

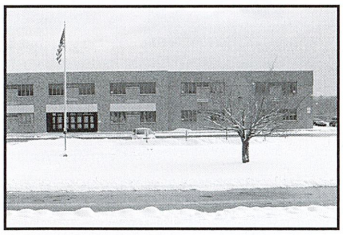
Photo: 2020 *Transition*

# THE GOOD *and not so good old days*

## Freshmen recall intermediate school year experiences

Story: *R. Frye* (11)

Photo: *G. Wilferd* (11)



### *Big changes...*

Opening in 1989, the Kiski Area Intermediate School sent ninth graders to the high school for the first time. Mr. Jankowski said, "I was in fourth grade when they opened the Intermediate school. I was part of the last class to go to East Vandergrift Elementary."

Children laughing. People crying. Stressful strides. The middle school years have come to an end where students found themselves, met their best friends, and set paths for the upcoming years. The sound of thundering footsteps when that last bell rings to mark the end of middle school years lingered.

"During my seventh grade year, I was doing well in all of my classes, but then COVID hit and I almost failed my classes," Victoria Remencus (9) said.

Alyssa Ruggiero (9) said, "The worst thing that happened to me during middle school is when I got diagnosed with depression."

Hardships tended to leave a footprint behind more than the positive experiences for most people, but a couple did look at the light at the end of the tunnel.

"The best thing that happened to me was getting nominated for Commendable Cavalier by Mrs. Ignozzi," Tiffany Stitt (9) said.

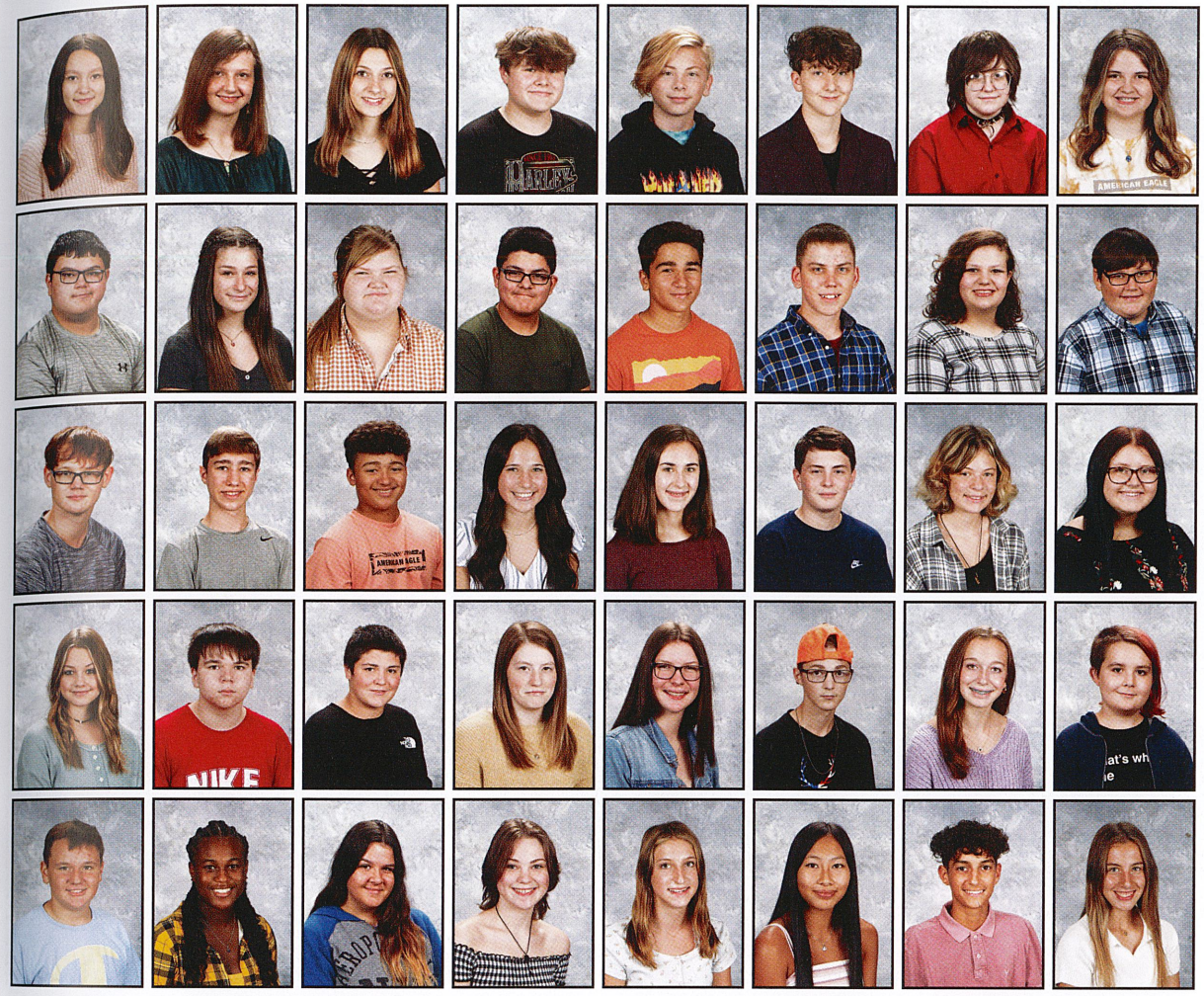
"I really love the amount of physical activity we got all throughout middle school including winning third overall for the Junior High swim team," Riley Yute (9) said.

The black and white film over these memories would always remain, but the color of present day would allow for new memories to occur.

# BEST *advice*

"THE BEST ADVICE I'VE EVER HEARD WAS TO JUST LIVE YOUR BEST LIFE."

Emily Smith (9)



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*Victoria Remencus*
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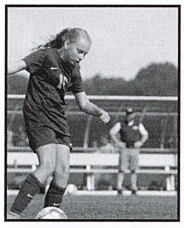
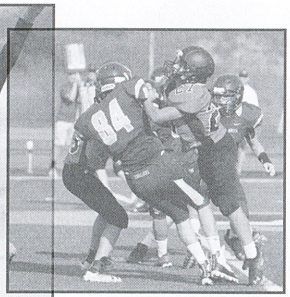
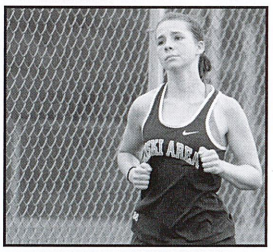
"I enjoy the competition between the other teams, such as my biggest rival the Bedoing Soccer Team."
*Alexis Zidek* (9)





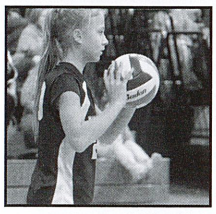


"I enjoyed how supportive the cross country community was because they always had a positive attitude, even when you were competing against one another."
*Ella Volpe* (9)

"Playing football in intermediate school was so much different than at the high school. It seems like everyone is not bigger and faster than me. I'm sure that will change sometime soon."
*Dalton Custer* (9)

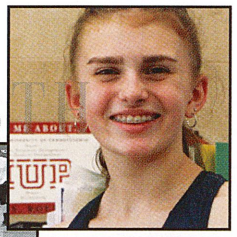
"Cheering has taught me how to create bonds with people that might have otherwise been strangers. I now cheer for the JV team at the high school."
*Jordyn Lubik* (9)

"I started wrestling at the age of four, and I continued for eleven years. My best memory was from Kalahari, WI for a wresling match because I had so much fun down there."
*Donovan Moon* (9)



"I've played volleyball since seventh grade. They put me wherever they need me, but I prefer front-row hitter."
*Jael Ledbetter* (9)

"I really enjoyed being a part of Mr. Capanna's yearbook staff and getting to clean out his classroom at the end of the year."
*Sydney Stewart* (9)



Discuss your favorite experience from intermediate school.

7TH AND 8TH

"I like the students seeing us somewhere else outside the classroom. It helps them connect to us as people, not as if we were robots."

Photo: 2017 *Transition*, p. 75

# All in it
## for the love of the game

# SECOND *star from the* RIGHT

Story: *R. Frye* (11)

## Members of Winter Guard share thoughts on new show

Described as a boastful and careless boy. Claimed greatness, but often questioned. Symbolized the selfishness, forgetfulness and self-centeredness of childhood. Peter Pan has made it back into present day student life with the show *Second Star To The Right* for Winter Guard 2022.

"The show title reminds me of royalty and mystery," Lauren Ciuca (9) said, "I think that with the difficulty of the tosses in the show, it is going to be a really amazing year."

This show proved to have difficult tosses, moves, turns, and twists. The members struggled to get it, but the show looked outstanding.

"My left-handed 45 is the hardest move for me because it is with my non-dominant hand, but I know that if I work for it, I will eventually get it," Elizabeth Fitch (9) said.

*Guns a blazing...*

During the opener of the marching band's *Beneath the Shifting Sands* show, Rebekah Frye (9) prepares to slam the gun tip into the ground just before a transition move. Frye said, "The work involved in this year's show was fast, difficult, and spinny. It had to be if we wanted to beat every other band out there, which we did." Frye just completed her second year performing with the color guard.

Photo: *F. Rossi Photography*

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*Mya Steele*
*Amara Sterlitz*
*Sydney Stewart*
*Abigail Stiffey*
*Christopher Stiffy*
*Joseph Stillions*

*Tiffany Stitt*
*Ava Strellec*
*Shayley Stump*
*Julia Szitas*
*Elizabeth Tassone*
*Patience Thomas*
*Brieanna Tiani*
*Joseph Trapani*

*Kaileigh Travis*
*Alec Tucker*
*Justin Tucker*
*Nathan Uncapher*
*Ava Vigna*
*Matthew Vigna*
*Madison Vite*
*Ella Volpe*

*Haley Vossburg*
*Skyler Wahl*
*Cara Walker*
*Jacob Walker*
*Jonathan Walker*
*Aidan Walsh*
*Austyn Waterloo*
*Trinity Wilcox*

# BEAUTY *in angles*

In *Dance Dance Revolution* fashion, brave geometry students in Mrs. Shreffler's class straddled all types of angle-pairings taped on the floor, all while angle graphics scrolled on the screen. Students danced to *Single Ladies, Uptown Funk, RESPECT, Billie Jean,* and *My Hips Don't Lie.*

*Sean Riley* (9)

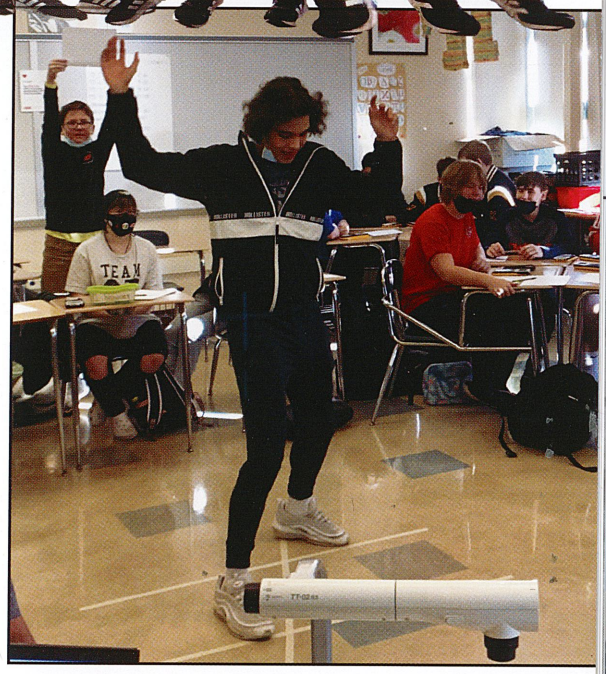

Photo: *T. Shreffler* (fac)

## Geometry groove...

After students learned all the different angle pairings formed by two lines and a transversal, Mrs. Shreffler's Honors Geometry classes prove their knowledge on the dance floor. Jacob Musselman (9) said, "I danced to both *Single Ladies* by Beyonce and *My Hips Don't Lie* by Skakira. *Hips* was definitely the more difficult and faster of the two." Additionally, Musselman had a 12K following on TikTok for his comical videos.

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*Austin Camp*
*April Carlisle*
*Sheldon Chambers*
*Kristian Clayton*
*Aiden Derry*
*Averi Detoma*
*David Dickun*
*Elizabeth Fitch*
*Rikiya Garcia-Broaden*
*Harry Goldinger*
*Cheyenne Guyer*
*Hannah Hoak*
*Olivia Hosfelt*
*Tamir Houser*
*Abbey Howes*
*Levi Keltz*
*Cody Knappenberger*
*William Leith*
*Keara Loughner*
*Nathan Palmer*
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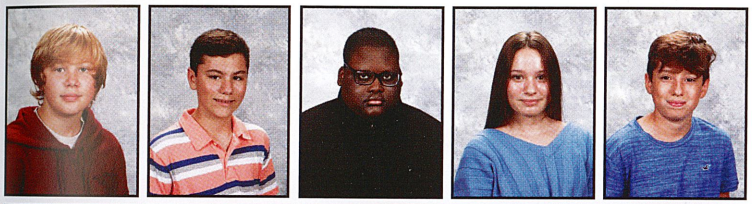

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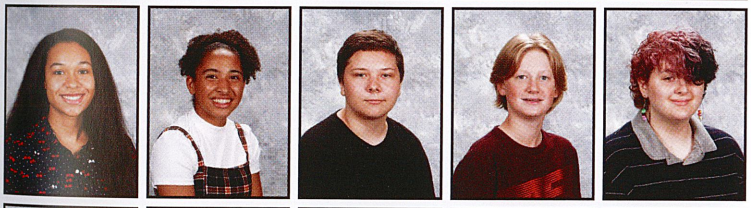

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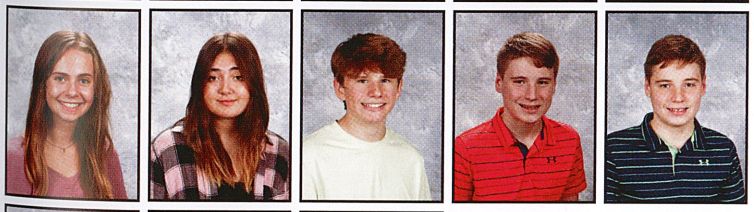

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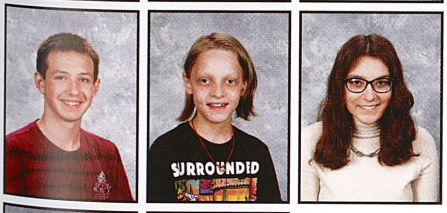

*Riley Yute*
*Reyland Zawodniak*
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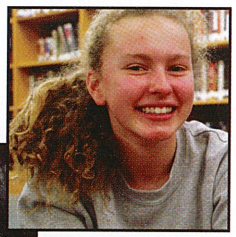
"The most difficult part is having to wake up and be productive every day."

*Alexis Zidek* (9)



## MY ROUTINE

Discuss the most difficult part of your daily schedule.

Kelly Wright and Nicole Daniska wait for the bell to ring after gym class. Students often spent their free time in the courtyard between the lower cafeteria and the administration building.

Photo: 1995 *Campus*, p. 71

### *Don't tip it over...*

Just prior to the start of the school year, at an In-Service training on student engagement, Mr. Williamson does his best to pull out a block without tipping over the tower. "I try to use a lot humor, real life applications, and I invest time into getting to know my students, both in and out of the classroom. That's how I engage students," Williamson said. The senior graduating classes at the school voted him *Teacher of the Year* four times, the last in 2017.

Photo: *P. Fantaski* (fac)

# PIECING IT ALL

## *together, one block at a time*

Students share learning preferences

Story: *R. Frye* (11)

Submitted: *D. Moran* (fac)

### *Super Santa chalk art...*

During numerous visits to Mr. Moran's classroom, Mythaniel Hoak (10) finishes his Christmas masterpiece. Hoak said, "I like to draw and took a summer art class to improve my skills. I got into the Christmas spirit and wanted to draw this for Mr. Moran." Hoak had Mr. Moran for Algebra I his freshman year and stopped by room 307 often to say hello.

Students followed different paths as they journeyed through learning experiences every day.

"I've learned so much more from engaging activities during a lesson, rather than just plain old memorization," Ashlee Bair (12) said.

"I do think that it is beneficial to do activities during a lesson because I believe that most kids learn better that way," Nicholas Debich (9) said.

Variety in a classroom proved the effectiveness of those different ways of learning, whether a teacher chose straight lecturing or having a more activity-based lesson plan.

For Tiffany Stitt (9), she preferred a more traditional approach. "I personally appreciate how Mr. Pugliese teaches. He gives us notes to write down and follow, and I always do well on his tests," Stitt said.

Not only did it matter how the teacher taught a certain topic, but also how the teacher felt about it.

Clayton Smith (12) said, "Students can pick up on how a teacher is feeling, and we can reflect off of that but an interactive activity can not hurt. It helps my brain understand the situation better."

Algebra II and Geometry teacher Mrs. Hald said, "I try to get them up and moving by including a scavenger hunt. I feel that kids usually learn better through an activity because it is like a game and not a boring task."

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*Ralph Antenucci*
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*Debbie Baker*
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*Jenny Baum*
Honors English II
*Ryan Berberich*
Physical Education 9-12

*Thomas Berzonsky*
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*Gina Bono*
Honors English I
*Jen Bowman*
Athletic Secretary
*Laura Bowman*
Classroom Aide
*Karen Brady (Dept. Head)*
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*Alison Bresnahan*
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*Amy Calisti*
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*Kaity Chou*
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*James Christie*
Honors Modern World History
*Kai Clayton*
Classroom Aide

*Dee Cortazzo*
Pre-Calculus
*Joseph Culler*
Geometry, Algebra II (11-12)
*Heather Deal*
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*James DeLuca*
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*Emily DePanicis-Saxion*
Honors English III

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Life Skills
*Anna Eichner*
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*Larry Enciso*
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*Anthony Gonnella*
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*Sarah Gracey*
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*Alan Gray*
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Culinary Principles, Global Cuisine

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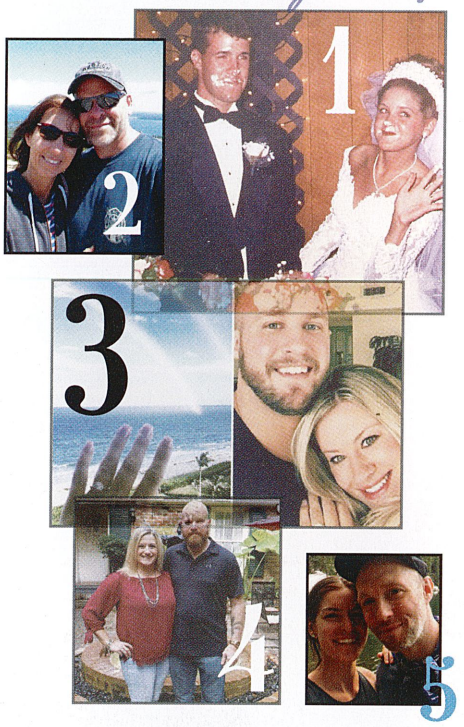
Honors English I
*Chris Heater*
Advanced Graphics Design, Graphics Design, Transportational Technology I, Transportational Technology II

# Will you marry me?




1 "Days before we left on a beach trip, I found the receipt for my engagement ring. He planned a special dinner while we were on our trip, and I kept expecting him to ask me, but it wasn't until we took a walk on the beach that he proposed. It wasn't until many years later, I told him about finding the receipt."
*Mrs. Shreffler* (fac)

2 "I had just graduated from college, and it was wintertime. Back then, there was a company that was set up to give carriage rides through Pittsburgh and Station Square—sort of like they have in New York City. While our carriage crossed the Smithfield Bridge, I proposed."
*Mr. Ridgeway* (fac)

3 "A double rainbow formed over the Atlantic Ocean after my husband proposed to me on the beach. It was a moment I'll never forget."
*Mrs. Padasak* (fac)

4 "We were staying in a haunted New Orleans hotel with a beautiful fountain in the courtyard. Coming back to the hotel after I had fallen off a curb while wearing 4" heels where I ripped my jeans and scraped up my arms, I followed him into the courtyard where he got down on one knee and proposed."
*Mrs. Swarmer* (fac)

5 "Greg proposed to me at Red Pine Lake in Utah this past summer. Greg's plan was to propose once we reached the peak. Plans had to change, though, because I was definitely feeling the effects of the altitude and the terrain became a little too dangerous for me. Once we returned to our campsite, he bent down on one knee and asked me to marry him."
*Ms. Bresnahan* (fac)

## BEST advice

"THE CLASSES THAT I LIKE THE BEST ARE THE ONES THAT AREN'T JAM-PACKED WITH KIDS. I ALSO ENJOY PROJECTS THAT MAKE ME THINK OUTSIDE THE BOX."

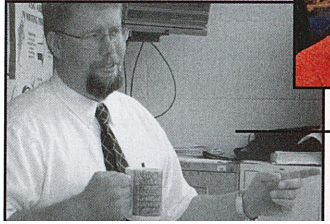
*HALEY HUDZICK (12)*

## ENGAGE

Discuss a lesson you taught while subbing that stands out in your mind.

"Early in the year, I covered Mr. McKenzie's B day classes for a stretch and taught some lessons about World War 2 and the United States' entry into the war."

*Mr. Zach Susalla* (fac)



Assistant to the Superintendent Dr. Lohr received the coveted distinction of *Teacher of the Year* in 2008 when he taught in the high school's Social Studies Department.

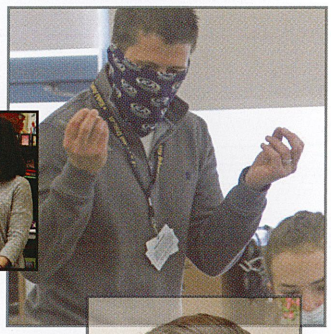
Photo: 2008 *Campus*, p. 112

# JUST *for fun*

## Bizarre staff connections...

Mrs. Pityk

Both have two daughters and a son.



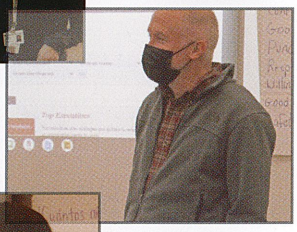
Mr. Jankowski

Mrs. Gracey

Both have a November 9 birthday.

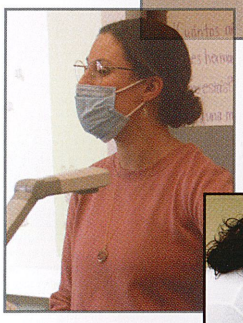
Both absolutely adore the TV show *Murder, She Wrote.*

Mrs. Schaeffer



Mr. Berzonsky

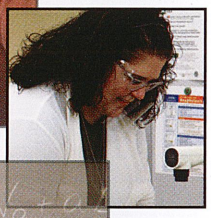
Both serve as varsity cross country coaches.



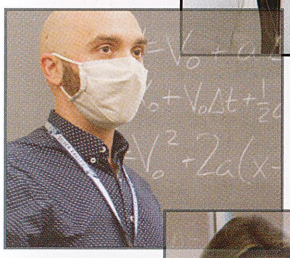
Mrs. Royer

Both have run marathons.

Both have visited at least seven foreign countries.



Mrs. Miller

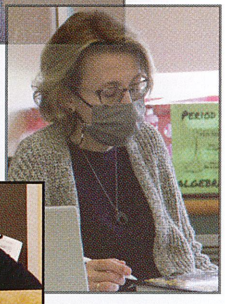


Mr. Watkinson

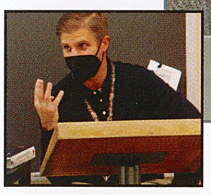
Both live in the city of Pittsburgh.

Both taught in another state.

Both were born in Ohio.



Mrs. Calisti



Mr. Snedecor

*Katie Hilty*
Classroom Aide
*Zach Jankowski*
Algebra II, AP Statistics, Resource
*Lindsey Katora-Pityk*
Honors English I
*Beverly Kocon*
Learning Support - Resource Room
*Laura Laero*
AP Spanish, Spanish I, Spanish III, Spanish IV

*Jennifer Lang*
Learning Support - Honors American Government, Honors Modern World History
*Alesha Lindo*
Emotional Support
*Jason Lohr*
Assistant to the Superintendent
*Melyssa Lynch*
Adv. Creative Design, Adv. Drawing I/II, Adv. Painting I/II, Art Independent Study, Intro. to Studio Art I/II
*Jennifer McAfee*
Economics, Criminal Law

*Jamie McCluske*
Child Development, Fashion and Design I/II/III, Independent Living, Nursery School Lab
*James McKenzie*
AP US Government and Politics, Honors US History II
*Sara McMeans*
Cavalier Choir, Cavalier Singers, Online Vocal Ensemble, Show Choir, Symphonic Choir
*Tiffani Miller*
Honors English III, Creative Writing
*Daniel Moran*
Algebra I, Math 9

*TJ Neal*
Behavorial Specialist
*Laura Novak (Dept. Head)*
Baking and Pastry, Independent Living, Elements of Food
*Tyler Odrechowski*
Honors Modern World History, Honors US History II
*Marissa Padasak*
Physical Education 9-12
*John Peterman*
Athletic Director

*Shawn Pityk (Dept. Head)*
Advanced Instrumental Repertoire, Band, Jazz Ensemble A/B, Music Theory
*Kim Poleski (Dept. Head)*
Algebra II, Calculus
*Fran Pugliese*
Honors Biology
*Jennifer Pursh*
L-Z Social and Emotional School Counselor
*Melissa Ray*
School Nurse

*Tara Reiner*
Classroom Aide
*Holly Richert*
AP English Language, Broadcast Media I, Broadcast Media II
*Dean Ridgeway (Dept. Head)*
Advanced Materials Processing, Automation Technology, Introduction to Engineering, Manufacturing
*Linda Robinson*
Classroom Aide
*Carly Roenigk*
Attendance Administrative Professional

*Chad Roland*
Principal
*Suzie Roush*
Principals' Administrative Assistant
*Justine Royer*
Spanish I, Spanish II
*Kristy Scalise (Dept. Head)*
AP Chemistry, Honors Chemistry
*Melissa Schaeffer*
AP Calculus AB, AP Calculus BC, AP Computer Science Principles, Computer Programming and JAVA

*Julie Schlessinger*
Learning Support - Honors English II
*Dawn Serakowski*
Air Force JROTC I, Air Force JROTC II
*Thomas Shea*
Honors American Government
*Terra Shreffler*
Geometry, Math 9
*Beth Silowash*
Learning Support - Algebra I

*Regina Slater*
A-K Academic and Career School Counselor
*Misty Slavic*
Superintendent
*Lindsay Smith (Dept. Head)*
A-K Social and Emotional School Counselor
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Assistant Principal
*Vince Smith*
Technology Services

Photo: *S. Gracey* (fac)

Photo: *P. Fantaski* (fac)

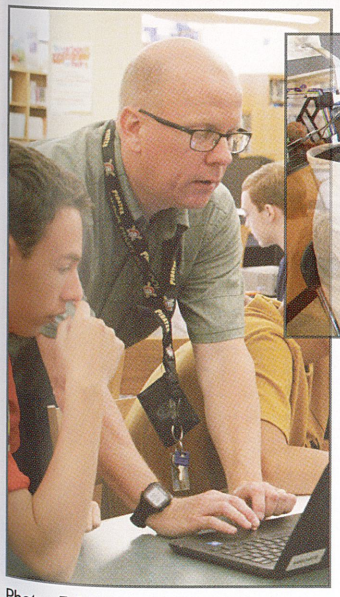


Photo: *E. Mellinger* (12)

## *Printing problems...*

Toward the beginning of the school year, Mr. Swanson gives Aidan Walsh (9) advice on printing. Swanson said, "Getting used to how to print from year to year is always a challenge. It takes quite a while before everyone can do it on their own." Walsh had third period resource with Swanson and had Honors English I with the ninth grade English teaching team of Mrs. Bono, Ms. Heasley, and Mrs. Pityk.

## *In the stitch of time...*

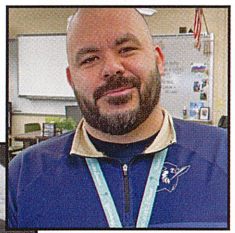
With a banana and a suturing kit, Mrs. Witucki (fac) and Matt Clinger (12) practice their stitching skills before dissecting a rat. Clinger said, "I thought it was going to be a lot harder to break through the skin of the rat. I accidentally cut too much because of that." In addition to cutting open a rat, the class dissected a fetal pig and a cow's eye.

## *Going over board..*

In room 505, Mr. Ridgeway and Brandon Lawhorn Moore (12) connect boards together to make a speaker for his Jeep Cherokee. Lawhorn Moore said, "I started this project about 10 weeks ago, and I just finished it today." He earned a full scholarship to play football at Miami University of Ohio.

"I talk to them about the wrestler that they looked up to and to be the wrestler that the younger wrestlers will look up, too."

*Mr. Kiebler* (fac)



How do you motivate the wrestlers?

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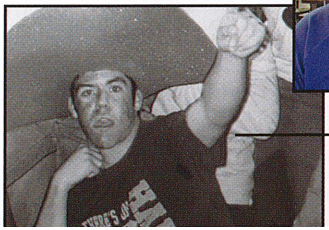

Matt Kiebler (2002 grad) shows his school spirit after a win against Franklin Regional. Kiebler earned the title of "Most Reliable" in his class.

Photo: 2002 *Campus*, p. 3

# GREAT *teaching*

On November 30, Mr. Swanson sent every student a Google form requesting their opinions on teachers who they enjoy having the most. Overall, 147 students responded. Separated by grade level, the results appear below.

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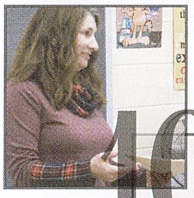
*Mr. Moran*
Math

*Mrs. Pityk and Mrs. Garlick*
English/Gym

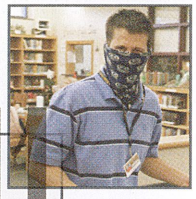
## 10



*Mrs. Hald*
Math

*Mr. Gray*
Business

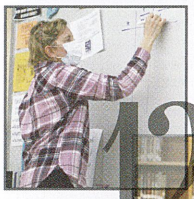
## 11



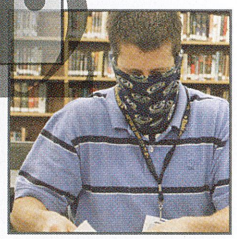
*Mr. Jankowski*
Math

*Mrs. Richert*
English

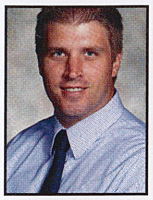
## 12



*Mrs. Schaeffer*
Math

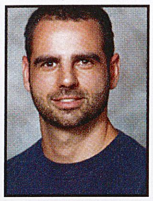


*Mr. Jankowski*
Math

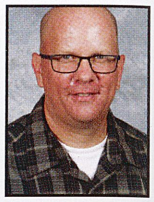


*Matthew Snedecor*
AP US History, AP US History II, Honors US History II

*Kendall Snee*
Honors English II



*Steven Spagnola*
Physical Education 9-12



*John Swanson*
Librarian, Resource 9, Resource 10-12

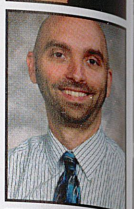
*Suzanne Swarmer*
Learning Support - Honors English III

*Tara Taliani*
L-Z Academic and Career School Counselor

*John Tedorski*
Director of Technology Services and Instruction

*Ann Valeski (Dept. Head)*
Accounting I/ II, Business Law, Google Apps, Personal Finance, Intro. to Web Design, Sports and Entertainment Marketing

*Nicole Wadsworth*
Learning Support - Academic Comprehensive Math, Academic Literacy, Academic Literature

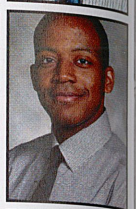


*Christopher Watkinson*
AP Physics, Honors Physics

*Joanne White*
Personal Finance, Photoshop I, Video Game Design, Web Design/Dreamweaver

*Jessie Wien*
Honors Chemistry

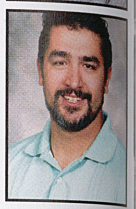
*Lisa Williams*
Counseling Administrative Professional



*David Williamson (Dept. Head)*
AP European History, Economics, Sociology

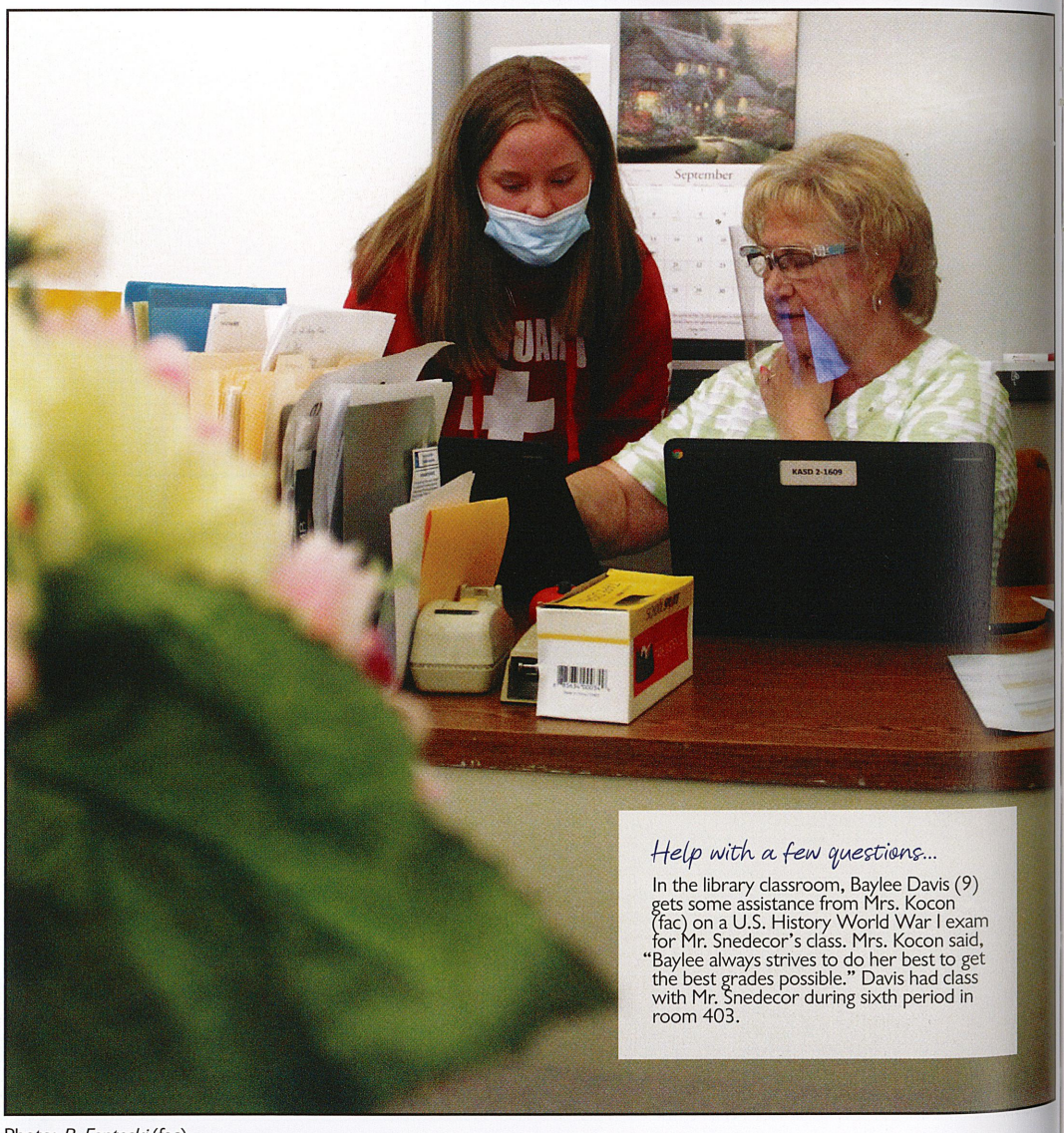
*Erin Witucki*
Honors Chemistry, Human Anatomy and Physiology

*Kristin Wolverton*
Classroom Aide



*Jacob Yuhasz (Dept. Head)*
Adv. Ceramics I/II, Adv. Drawing I, Adv. Painting I/II, Adv. Sculpture I/II, Intro. to Studio Art

*Not Pictured:*
*Resource Officer Charity Hollis*
*Steve Pachesky*
Percussion Ensemble




*Help with a few questions...*

In the library classroom, Baylee Davis (9) gets some assistance from Mrs. Kocon (fac) on a U.S. History World War I exam for Mr. Snedecor's class. Mrs. Kocon said, "Baylee always strives to do her best to get the best grades possible." Davis had class with Mr. Snedecor during sixth period in room 403.

Photo: *P. Fantaski* (fac)

# HALLOWS EVE

Faculty members go all out in dressing for Halloween

## faculty costumes

Mrs. Shreffler, Mrs. Wadsworth, Mrs. Bono, Mrs. Richert, Ms. Heasley, Mrs. Pityk, Mrs. Flick, Mrs. Padasak, Mrs. Royer, Mrs. Laero

# HIGH SCHOOL STAFFS

## UPPER CAFETERIA

*Front Row:* Carmi Amarando, Mikayla Long, Jackie Broda; *Back Row:* Jamie Cook, Mary Ripper.

## LOWER CAFETERIA

*Front Row:* Joleen Stecik, Tracy Goch, Glenna Lubik; *Back Row:* Mary Whewell, Dorothy Dubyak, Lisa Cribbs.

## CUSTODIAL/ MAINTENANCE

Jeff Williams, Don Johnson, John Young, Lester Fairman, Marcia Knabb, George Mozga, Greg Bothell, Bob Knabb.

*Brian Markuzic*
1963-2021

# SCHOOL BOARD

*Front Row:* Jessica Johns, Cassandra Heinle, Misty Slavic, Christine Pastva; *Back Row:* Ronald Coleman Jr., Nicole Kamer, Bertram Gardner, Michelle Schmidt, Todd Sterlitz, Kathy Snyder, Harlan Jervis.

## EXTRA EFFORTS

Selected by their fellow classmates, Shawn Pityk (1998 grad) and Mariah Passarelli (1998 grad) pose for their senior special photo; Most Musical.

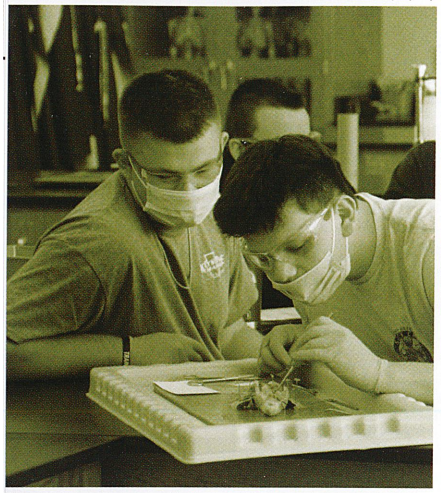
Photo: 1998 *Campus*, p. 224

## What instruments do you play, and what composer's music do you enjoy playing the most?

"I primarily play the pipe organ and the piano. Playing Johann Sebastian Bach's music is complicated but rewarding once you learn it."

*Ms. Candace Aikins* (fac)

Photo: *C. Tursky* (10)



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### You dirty rat...

With a steady hand, Luke Earley (11) dissects a rat in Mrs. Witucki's AP Anatomy and Physiology class while partner Connor Flemm (11) watches. Flemm said, "If you ask me, I think that the whole rip a rat thing open is gross. I was happy that Luke decided to do it for us." In addition to a rat, the class dissected a brain, an eyeball, and a pig.

### On the upswing...

With her swing flag flowing in the band show ballad, Isabella Corsaro (11) maxes out her choreography shortly after the surprise double-flag reveal. Corsaro said, "It was really exciting getting to perform again. We didn't get to compete at all last year, so our home show competition was really special." At the end of the season, the band won both the PIMBA Championships and the BOA University of Maryland Regional in College Park, MD.

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Photo: *F. Rossi* (Frank Rossi Photography)

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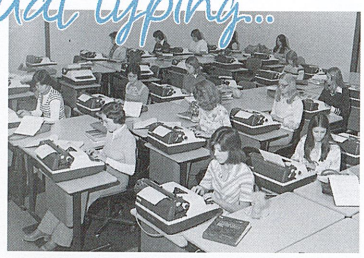
Photo: *C. Custer* (11)

## manual typing...



45 YEARS AGO

### Words, lines, phrases...

In the year 1977, nine teachers taught business-related classes at the high school. Today, the facility houses only four, a reflection of how much has changed over the years.

No longer did students have to use manual typewriters to complete assignments.

Also, with the advancement of electric typewriters, students no longer had to manually hit the carriage return lever to advance to the next line. Additionally, the need for white correction paper to fix errors diminished with the invention of the correction ribbon.

Now, everything has become electronic, and correcting errors has shifted to pressing a series of buttons. The addition of applications like Grammarly has made tasks a whole lot easier for students than in the past.

# ACADEMICS

Photo: *J. Bielek* (12)

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## *Light at the end of the tunnel...*

Underneath the visitors stand at Dilts Football Field behind the school, Caleb Custer (11) shows his knowledge and expertise of lines in a project for Mr. Fantaski's ACM class. Custer said, "When I looked under the grandstand, to me, I saw a light at the end of the tunnel. I love how all the lines seem to come together at one spot." Custer's shot placed first in Mr. Fantaski's and Mrs. Wadsworth's *Beauty in Lines* awards show.

## *Layers and layers and layers...*

As a project for Librarian Mr. Swanson, Devin Burkett (12) and Nick Hughes (12) scrape and sand a Hoosier cabinet. Burkett said, "It took me almost half of my junior year to get all the paint off of it. I swear it was packed with at least ten layers of paint." The two planned to stain the cabinet with Swanson's choice of color.

What class represented the biggest challenge for you in high school?

"It was Honors Chemistry. It was the most difficult because I just wasn't a fan of the subject."

*Gwen Hessom* (12)

# THE fine art of PERMS

Doing a permanent wave, also known as a perm, on a client could take several hours. The two parts to a perm involve wrapping the client's hair around hair rods and applying a chemical treatment. The chemicals can cause burns and other discomfort without proper protection, and all this requires skill and practice.

### up dos

"I like doing hair, and I especially like doing upstyles. I want to continue my career in cosmo out of high school. This is my second year doing cosmo."

*Lillian Belknap* (11)

### pestiferous

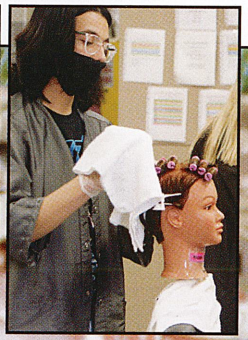
"Perms are annoying to do. They are very time-consuming and smell like rotten eggs. However, they are easy to do."

*Jenna Dubac* (12)

### perm smells

"I enjoy doing perms, but the smell is horrible. They are fun to do and are really cool-looking when they are done correctly."

*Noah Shirley* (12)



Photos: *A. Celo* (11)

### Well, well, weld...

In welding class, Braden Hannay (12) uses his skills in oxy-fuel cutting to even out his plate for a certification. Hannay said, "My uncle is a welder, and he motivated me to pursue this trade." Upon graduation, Hannay wanted to go straight into the workforce and had no plans for college.

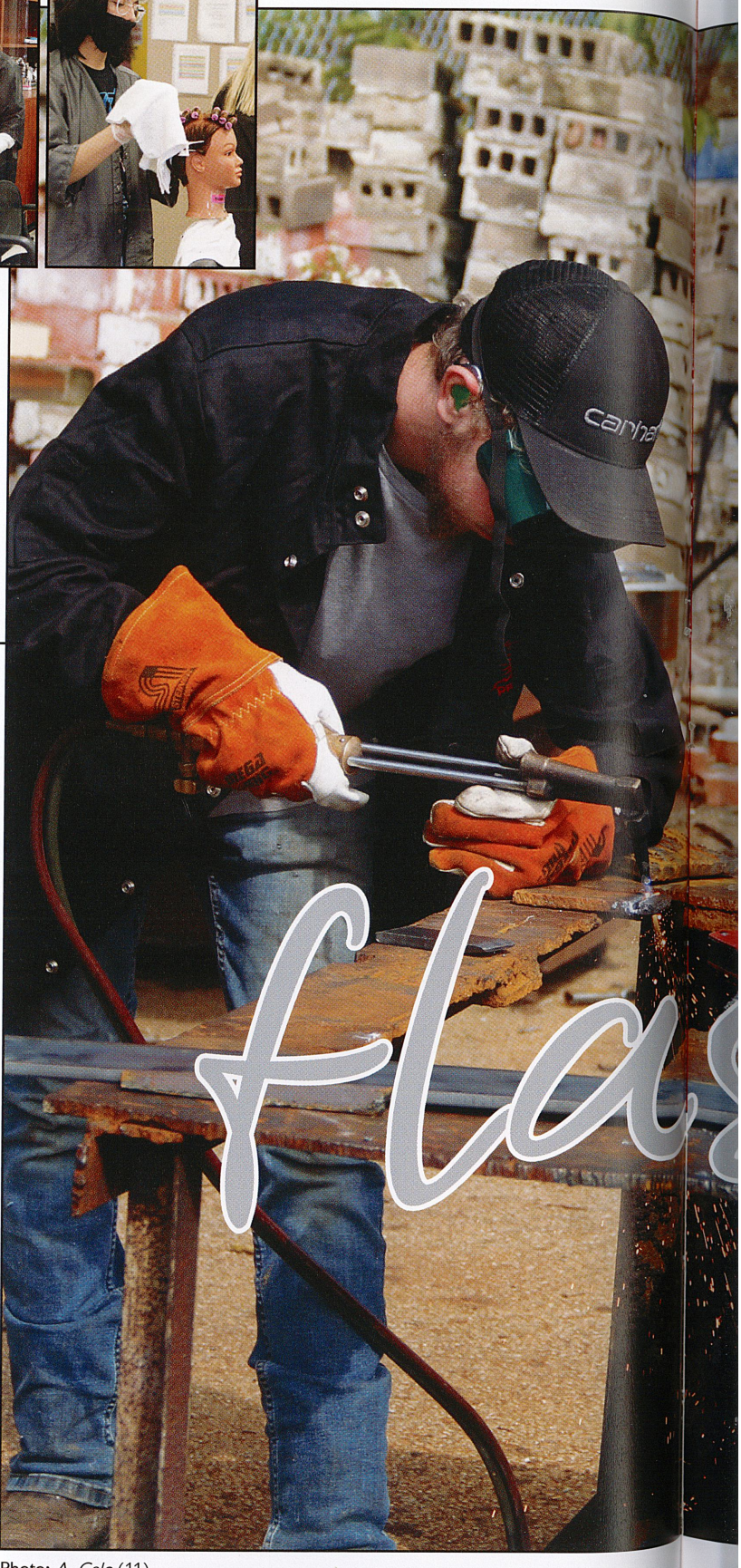


Photo: *A. Celo* (11)

## BEST advice

"THE BIGGEST TRICK TO WELDING IS THE PREP WORK. CLEAN IT WELL, PREP IT WELL, AND YOU WILL WELD BETTER."

*MR. KIRK* (fac)

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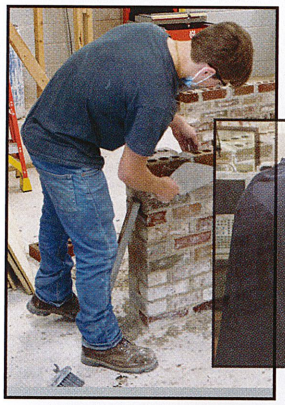
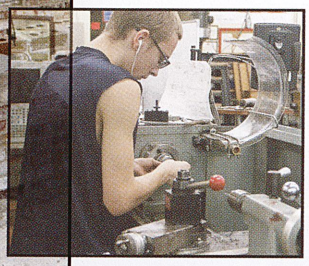


"When I graduate, I am undecided if I want to join the union or go to college for business so that I can start my own construction business."

*Logan Bechtold* (11) Masonry

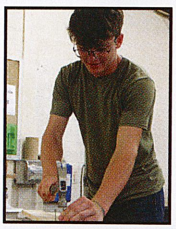


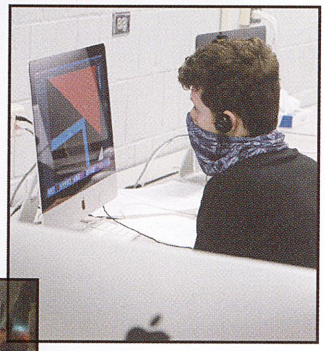
"I was polishing my part to meet specifications for a NIMS certification."

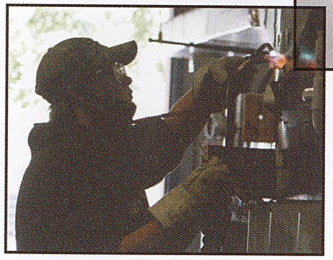
*Matthew Kerr* (11) Machine Tool

"David's [Shevlin] dad really got me interested in the carpentry program. I want to get a carpentry job after I graduate."

*Michael McGuire* (11) Carpentry







"I like things like Photoshop and Illustrator and wanted to know more about it so I chose Multimedia."

*Ezra Bowser* (11) Multimedia

"I am brazing in a line for an air conditioner. I am glad to be learning in the HVAC shop."

*Jace Hoe* (10) HVAC

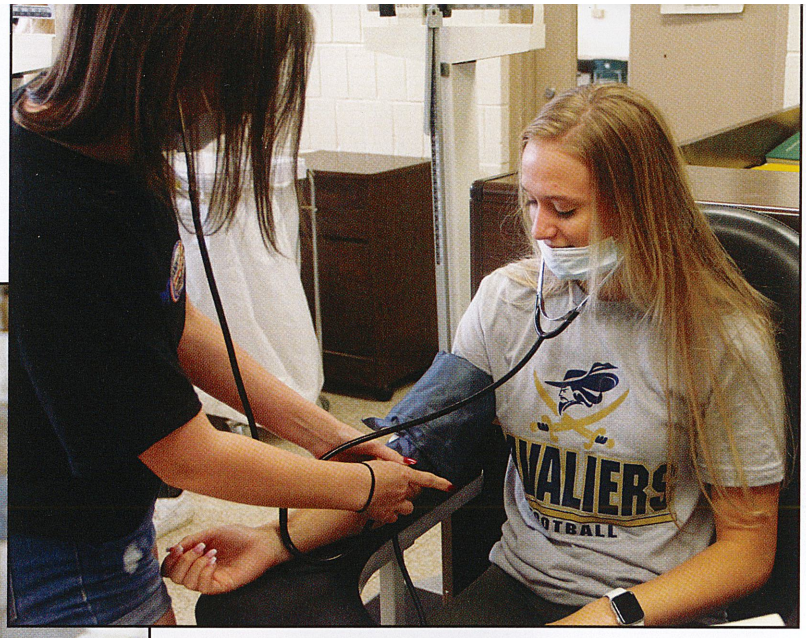


Photo: *A. Celo* (11)

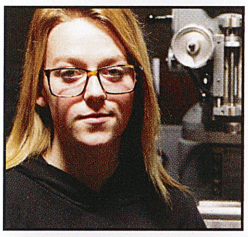
Discuss your thoughts on working in a mostly male occupation.

# WOMEN *in traditionally* MALE SHOPS

*Carpentry...*

"I feel very included, and most of the boys come to me for help."

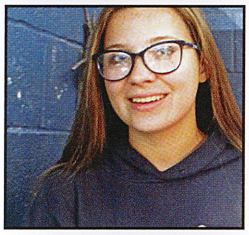
*Alyssa Seibel* (10)



*Machine Tool...*

"I can do the boys' work just as well as they can. It makes me work harder."

*Emma Hibner* (11)



*Welding...*

"I feel very excluded, but having to compete with all the boys makes me work harder."

*Grace Wilferd* (11)

*Auto Mechanics...*

"I am basically on my own, but I do get along with everybody."

*Kaileigh Travis* (9)

Photo: *J. Mattis* (11)

*Feel the pressure...*

While practicing in Health Occupations, Sheyenne Muschick (11) attempts to take Haylee Hughes' (11) blood pressure. With regards to the new schedule that involved an eight-period Friday, Hughes said, "I don't like it, and they should definitely start working on changing it." She looked forward to graduating and going on to nursing school.

*Small parts can equal big problems...*

In Auto Tech, Deashaun Rhine (12) and Gaige Knappenberger (11) work on an engine swap on Mr. Lombardo's Ford F150. Rhine said, "Replacing an engine is a pain because there are a lot of small parts that have to be put in specific places in order to get the engine to work right." Rhine estimated that the job would take a professional shop six hours to complete, but it took them four days.

# sh flood sunny side up

## Hurricane Ida forces Vo-Tech students back to high school

Story: *R. Frye* (11)

The morning of September 1, 2021 brought gray skies, pounding rain, and rushing rivers. The remnants of Hurricane Ida released four inches, or about two months' worth of rain in a span of 24 hours. The Little Pucketa Creek flooded over the bridge causing the administration to send home Vo-Tech students at 8:00 AM.

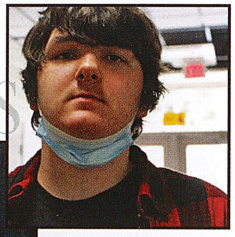
"Though tech was cancelled for the day, Devan, Garrett, Donovan, and I went to Denny's to get breakfast instead," Nick Hughes (12) said, "Whenever we got there, the water was three feet from the bridge. When we left, it was about three inches from the bridge."

"After we boarded the bus to go back to the school, I knew it was going to be a mess because no one has schedules at the school, and I just ended up waiting for a ride to take me back home," Dalton Pflum (11) said.

Discuss the craziest thing you have seen or experienced at Vo-Tech.

"Someone tried to beat a compressor with a hammer, but it did not end very well."

*Ryan Moorhead* (9) HVAC



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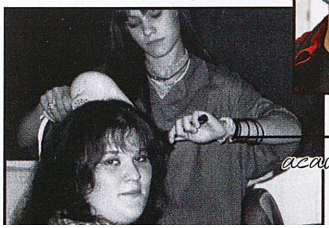
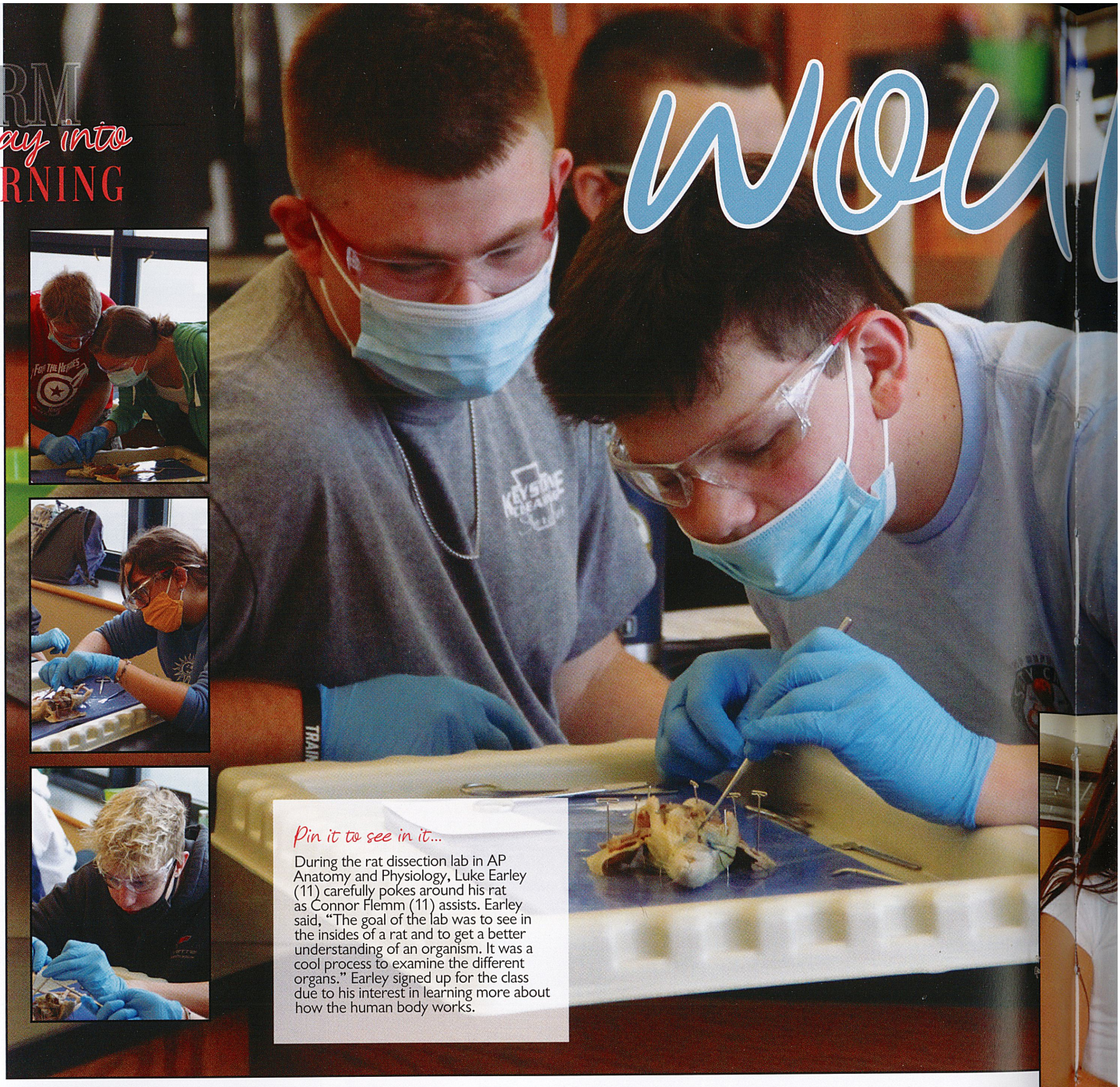


Erin Lawrence (1998 grad) and Jessica Hollis (1998 grad) practice doing each other's hair in Cosmetology.

Photo: 1998 *Campus*, pg. 118

# WORM your way into LEARNING



### ratty times ahead

"Seeing the layout of the organs was something I really liked. Getting through the smell helped me then learn the science of a rat's body."

*Emily Rouse* (12)



### not wormy

"Dissecting the rat was neat but smelled really bad. It was more interesting than the worm I dissected in middle school."

*Kaileyann Reutzel-Fish* (12)



### grossness recommended

"I think everyone should take AP Anatomy and Physiology because you'll get introduced to some really cool, interesting, but gross stuff."

*Dylan McCandless* (12)

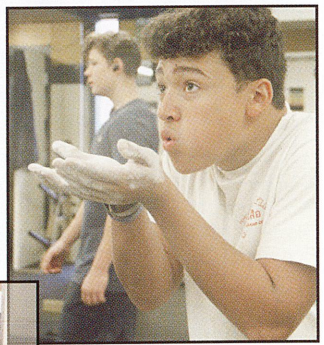


### Pin it to see in it...

During the rat dissection lab in AP Anatomy and Physiology, Luke Earley (11) carefully pokes around his rat as Connor Flemm (11) assists. Earley said, "The goal of the lab was to see in the insides of a rat and to get a better understanding of an organism. It was a cool process to examine the different organs." Earley signed up for the class due to his interest in learning more about how the human body works.

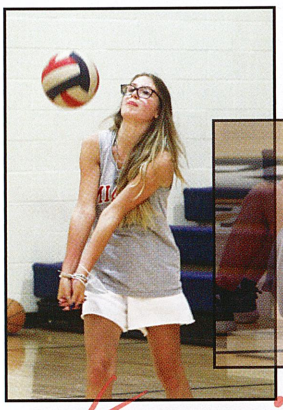
Photos: *C. Tursky* (10)

While double-fisted with dodgeballs, Ian Delbene (12) squares himself for a throw. Delbene used an aggressive style of play to maximize his time in the game.

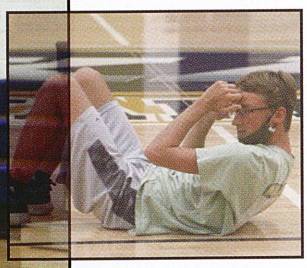


During his fifth period gym class with Mr. Enciso, Trey Roberts (9) blows off the excess powder from his hands in the weight room. He noted his max benching weight as 145 lbs.

As he works through a rotation in the weightroom, Ty Conner (9) checks his form in the mirror as he uses a pair of dumbbells. Conner appreciated the instruction about proper technique in the weightroom from Mr. Berberich.



In an attempt to return the serve during a game of volleyball, Meya Decker (11) tries to direct the ball to her teammates at the net. She found that phys. ed. class acted as a nice release during her busy school day.

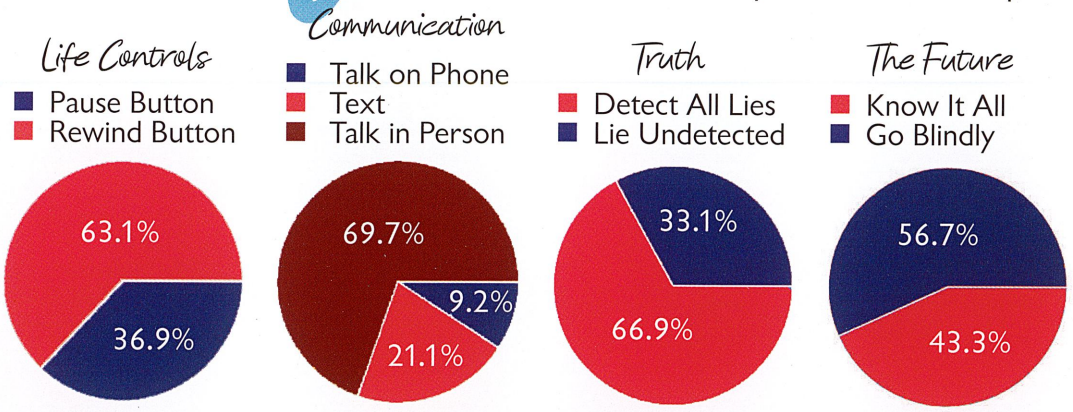


Getting through his warmups at the beginning of gym class, Glenn Fowkes (11) checks to see if he has completed enough crunches. While stretching and warming up for any physical activity might not seem the most enjoyable, Fowkes understood its importance.

## Keeping fit in gym classes

# ld you rather this or that?

One-hundred forty-two students respond to mindful questions




## Super collider...

During a National Guard visit to the physical education classes, Caleb Shultz (11) gets a kick out of watching Bella Delia (10) and Cora Coleman (10) crash into each other during a round of knockerball. "When I had my turn in the knockerball, Jack Coleman (12) cheap shotted me from behind." The National Guard brought the bubbles to the phys. ed. classes to advocate for students to join their program.

Photo: *J. Konieczny* (12)

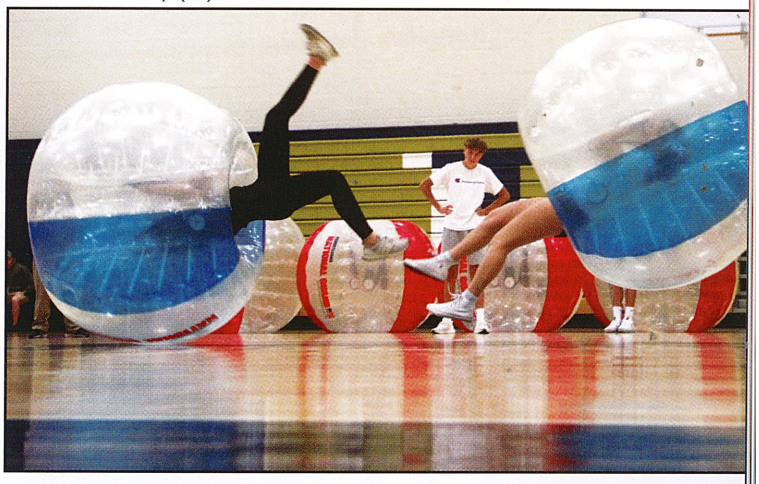
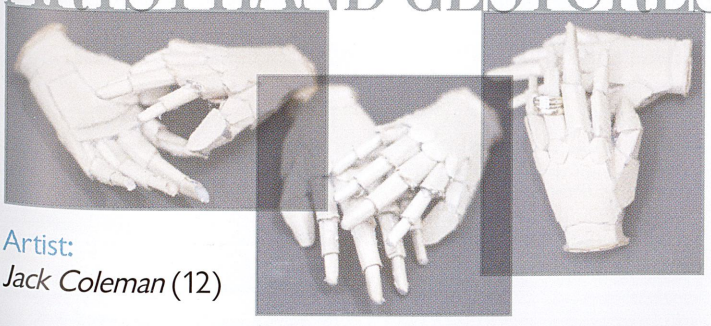


Photo: *E. Witucki* (fac)

## Vitally important stats...

After Laci Safranyos (11) completes a two minute run around the halls of the school, Kamryn Suman (11) checks her blood pressure for a lab in AP Anatomy and Physiology. Safranyos said, "I had to run the loop in the halls four times for this lab. Other students thought I was crazy when they saw me running around the school." The lab involved taking the runner's vitals after each loop to compare how it affected breaths per minute, heart rate, body temperature, and blood pressure.

## ARTSY HAND GESTURES



During the quarantine, Jack Coleman (12) used materials that he had around the house to complete this project involving hands for his Sculptures 1 class with Mr. Yuhasz. Using cardboard and hot glue, Coleman created this unique sculpture.

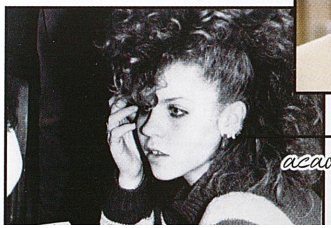
Artist:
*Jack Coleman* (12)

"I use conditioner, but otherwise, this is how my hair naturally looks."

*Jacob Halter* (11)

How do you get your hair to do what it does?

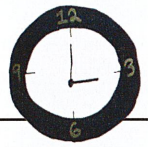
HAIR SPRAY



Heather Chaya (1991 grad) relaxes her brain for a moment as she daydreams during her activity period.

Photo: 1989 *Campus*, p. 82

# THE INGREDIENTS *for success*



For a project in Mrs. Eichner's American Government class, students had to create a poster that demonstrated their own "Recipe for Successful Study Habits." Four students hand-drew the following graphics on theirs.

"I decided to draw a clock because I wanted it to show the time that it takes to study. I chose 3 o'clock because that's when school ends and personal life begins. You need both."
*Cassia Remencus* (11)

"To me, this represents how we all need a break from work to relax. You can't always be plugged in. Sometimes, you have to step back and let your brain reboot."
*Adalynn Jodon* (10)

"I made a calendar because it keeps me organized and in check with what I need to get done. I'm pretty good a remembering when things are due, but it's nice to write it down."
*Savhanna Ruperto* (10)

"I was inspired by the old cookbooks from the '50s. I patterned my character from that to set the tone for my recipe. I wanted it to feel nostalgic, in a way."
*Merlin Libent* (10)

# TRANSVERSALS *parallel lines,* AND A CITY

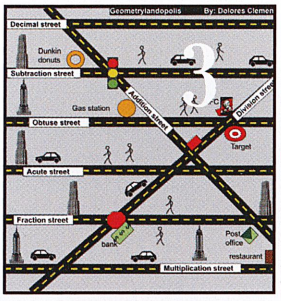
Eight traffic lights or stop signs. Six parallel streets. Seven geometric angle pairings. Learners in Mr. Culler's geometry classes had to use their knowledge of all types of angles formed by two parallel lines and a transversal. The task had students design a city with thematically named streets and a backdrop that exemplified that theme. Four designers created cities that impressed Mr. Culler most.

1 *Samantha Andrasy (10)*
"I love Sponge Bob Square Pants. I grew up watching him with my sister over and over and over again."

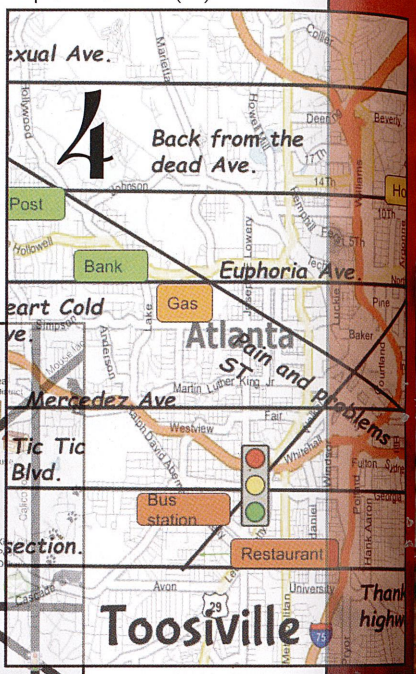
2 *Cassie Buss (10)*
"I have a cat at home named Galaxy. She's a bit timid at times, and she's definitely a calm cat. She makes me feel happy."

3 *Dolores Clemente (10)*
"My theme for the City Designer Project was Geometrylandopolis. I chose the street names based on mathematical terms."

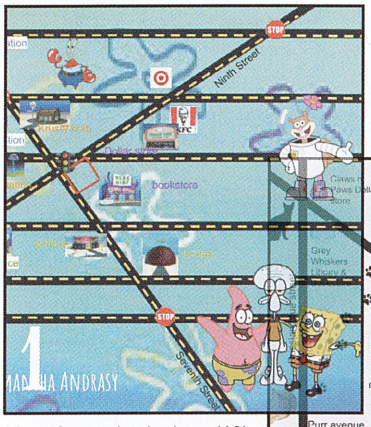
4 *Jaren Jackson (10)*
"I chose Toosiville because I like listening to an American rap artist named Toosii. All of my streets are named after his songs."




Map: *Dolores Clemente* (10)




Map: *Jaren Jackson* (10)




Map: *Samantha Andrasy* (10)

Map: *Cassandra Buss* (10)

Story: *R. Frye* (11)

# half-hearted or whole-hearted attempts?

## Students discuss learning preferences

You just finished reading Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet* in Ms. Heasley's class. You have four choices to prove what you learned: traditional exam, class presentation, hands-on project, or packet of worksheets to complete. Which do you prefer or eliminate, and why?

"I feel like I can be myself when I do a hands-on project because I have the freedom to make the project more my style, and I can make up the rules," Levi Hansen (11) said.

"I would much rather do a packet because it is easier to do all at once and just get it all out of the way. It wouldn't carry on for many class periods," Chassidy Kamer (11) said.

Everyone has his own likes and dislikes, his preferences and ways to succeed on assignments.

Alivia Sherbondy (9) said, "I would eliminate the test because I have to come prepared for anything that may come my way, whereas for a presentation, I know what the material is so I can be more prepared and comfortable with it."

Students who would rather do anything other than stand in front of the class and give a presentation agreed with Brock Wilkins (12) when he said, "I am fully against the presentation idea because it is totally out of my comfort zone to stand up in front of the class."

Photo: *P. Fantaski* (fac)

### *In character...*

As a culminating project in Mr. Ridgeway's Manufacturing class, Skylar Watterson (10) chose characters from WEBTOON and Shonen Jump to laser on his wood block. Watterson said, "I wanted to push the laser to its limits. It took me the longest in the class to complete the project. I think it turned out exactly as I had hoped."

## Hole-hearted...

In Mrs. Lynch's period one Studio Art II class, Hannah Dickun (10) works on a mixed media project involving water color and graphite. Dickun said, "I love that the class is really casual. It's such a nice break from the regular curriculum. I feel more relaxed when I'm in there." Of all mediums that the class worked with, Dickun preferred water color the most.

Photo: *F. Boyle* (12)

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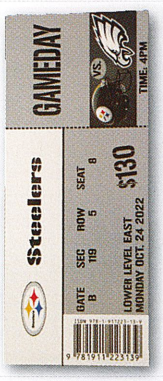
## graphics design event tickets

*Josh Roden* (10)

*Skylar Arenth* (10)




*Kandi Miller* (10)

*Juliana Michaels* (11)

In Mr. Heater's Graphic Design class, students had to create three varied tickets to specific events: sports, concert, and their choice. As part of the project, if students created tickets to local facilities, Heater required proper seating, gate listings, pricing, and VIP criteria.

## ASSIGNMENT

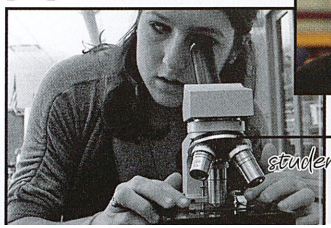
Describe the lengthiest project you ever worked on at any time in school.

"In Architecture, we are working on our deck project that will take the entire semester. We have to plan it, design it, and build it with balsa wood to scale."

*Ben Ruggles* (12)

In AP Biology, Madison Rumon (2011 grad) locates the stages of mitosis in an onion root. "My lab group is really fun because we gossip about boys," Rumon said.

Photo: 2011 *Campus*, p. 100



# BENEATH *the shifting* CLOUDS

Although the forecast did not hold up, the marching band prevailed by blowing the crowd away with a spectacular performance of their show, "Beneath the Shifting Sands," at the Alle-Kiski Festival.

Three members describe their experience:

### *soaked stuff*

"Because of the rain, our equipment was drenched which made it more difficult to perform. Even with this obstacle, we still put out a great show."

*Sophia Wilson* (9)

### *heavy burden*

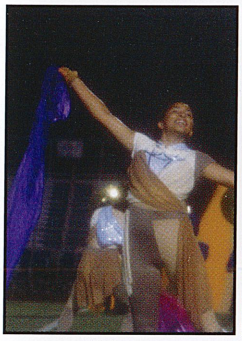
"It was heavy carrying all my equipment on to the field. It was rewarding showing what we could do, even with the bad weather."

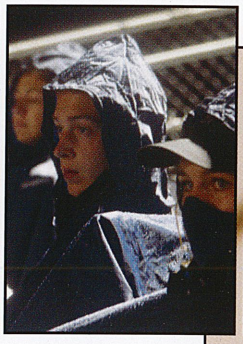
*Cooper Sluka* (12)

### *learning moment*

"It was a good experience for new members like me. We were prepared to perform, and most of all, we were able to learn from it."

*Travis Maga* (10)

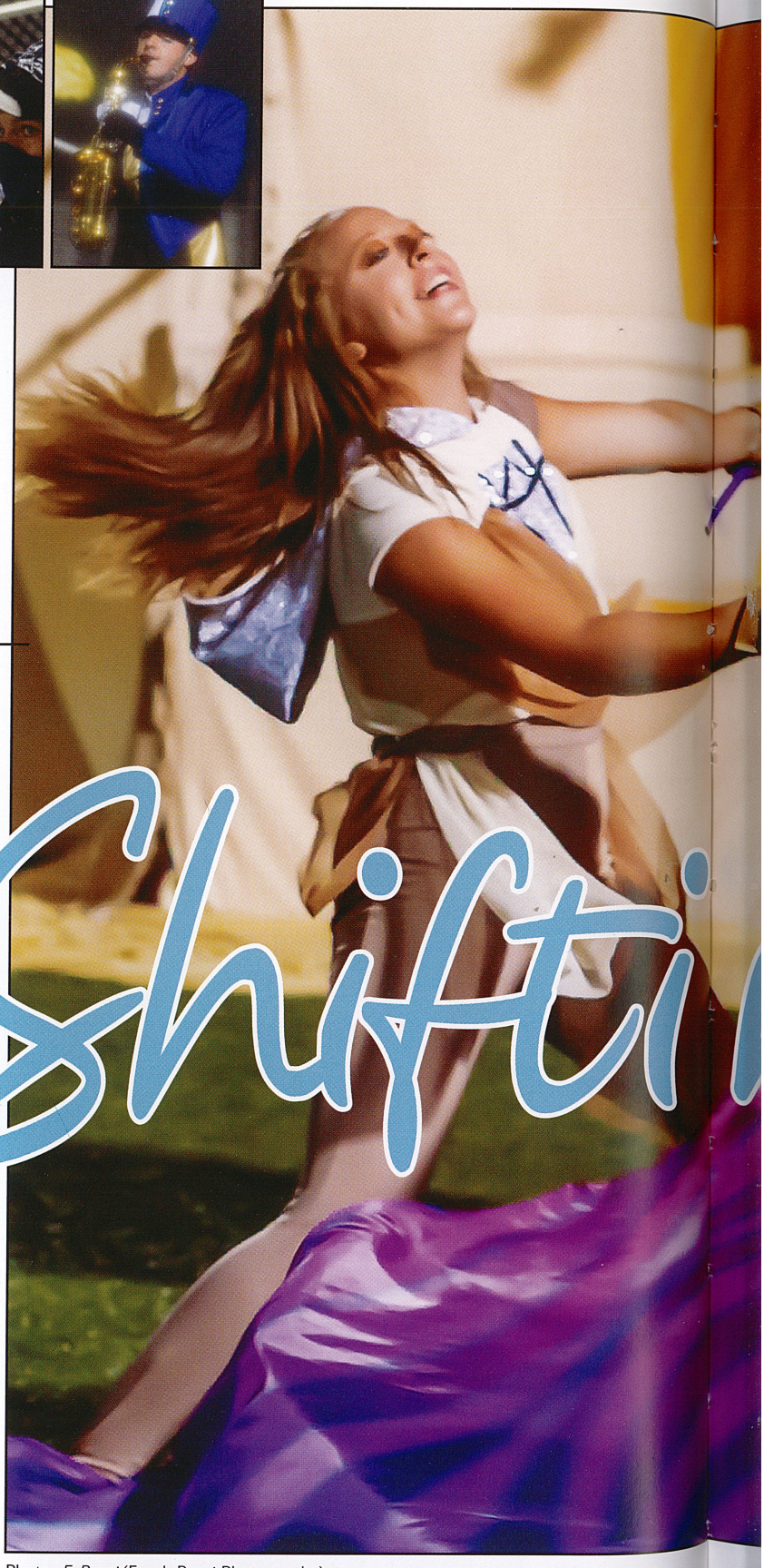




Photos: *E. Mellinger* (11)

### *While in action...*

In her new uniform, Isabella Corsaro (11) spins her flag as she looks up to the crowd. "The color guard is like a second family to me," Corsaro said. "I have made so many friends and memories that I will cherish forever." The band performed last and endured through the rain.



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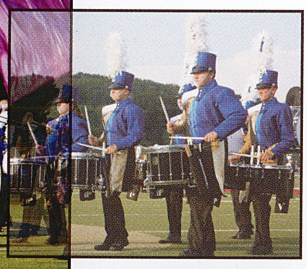
## LEFT BEHIND *moment*

WHEN THE BAND WON THE BOA MID-ATLANTIC CHAMPIONSHIP IN COLLEGE PARK, MD, THEY BECAME THE FIRST EVER IN U.S. HISTORY TO WIN A BOA REGIONAL IN EACH OF FIVE DECADES.

## *What does band really mean to you?*

"After seven years of being a part of the color guard, I wouldn't trade any of the experience and memories for the world."

*Maycee Auden* (12)



"I really enjoy being on the drum line because I always have fun with my friends. Drum line is like a big family."

*Michael Bucci* (10)

"I was really eager and excited to join marching band because my whole family had been a part of the program, so it influenced me. I have been in the drum line for five years."

*Katrina Orange* (12)

"This year has been an interesting experience with the responsibilities of being an assistant drum major and marching with my trumpet. It has been such an amazing show to participate in, and I am so grateful to be a part of the marching band."

*Gianna Kraus* (11)

"Marching band is so important to me because we have made so many memories with each other. They are like my other family."

*Mckenzie Kuth* (12)

Photo: *F. Rossi* (Frank Rossi Photography)

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### Brace for impact...

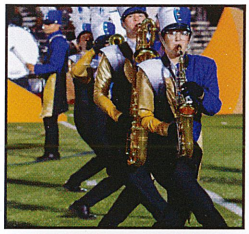
While performing, trombone players Xaiden Connelly (10) and Dylan Davenport (11) get ready to blast their horns. "You should always give 100% because every practice counts when you're in an activity such as marching band," Connelly said. He most enjoyed attending the football games to interact with other schools.

### Laser focus...

Featured at the beginning of the show, David Shevlin (11), Cooper Sluka (12), and Maycee Auden (12) capture the crowd's attention with their stunning choreography and music. "Even though it was hard to learn my solo, I still had so much fun playing it. I was thrilled when I got the part," Shevlin said. He joined the band in fifth grade and continued for six more years.

Discuss the difficulty of learning the choreography and music.

## music and dance, ON THE MOVE



### Covering down...

"Learning the drill and sets were more difficult this year because it took more time to memorize them. In addition, some of the rhythms in my music were tricky to learn."

*Grace Geltz* (11)

### Up to the sky...

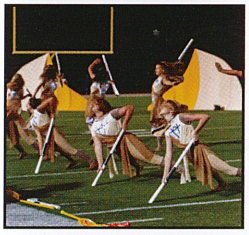
"Up to this point, I have never been on rifle while performing, so it was difficult to learn drill. Other than that, I really enjoyed being able to show off my skills."

*Lillian Belknap* (11)

### Strike a pose...

"Learning the music would have to be the most challenging part for me because some of the notes were higher and the rhythms went faster. Overall, with lots of practice, I was finally able to play the music confidently."

*Kelina Smith* (9)



### Defying gravity...

"At first, I had trouble learning how to spin my gun, but after a while, I got the hang of it. I try to improve every day by practicing."

*Isabella Ciuca* (9)

Photos: *F. Rossi* (Frank Rossi Photography)

# ng toward a golden season

Band completes outstanding season with historic performance

Story: *J. Glunt* (12)

After a year spent deserted from music and buried in silence, a mirage finally came into view for the marching band: a comeback season with the potential for great success, despite immeasurable odds. *Beneath the Shifting Sands*, a show boasting powerful melodies against a vibrant landscape of dunes, rose above the competition and brought the marching band gold. In the wake of a modified 2020 season, the band eagerly anticipated the return to normalcy; however, many band members had never experienced "normal."

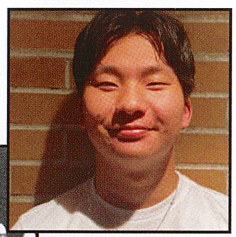
"While this season had many aspects that were more challenging, I got so much out of all the hard work. I felt so connected to my fellow band members, and even though I felt nervous before competitions, I got excited the moment we started playing the show," Ella Volpe (9) said.

Upperclassmen also basked in the glory of performance. "Every competition and event is bittersweet because it is the last one, but our amazing show has satisfied the disappointment I felt after last year, and then some," Benjamin Ruggles (12) said.

If you could become any instrument what one would you pick, and why?

"I would probably be a trumpet because it's loud, just like me."

*Luke Emmerling* (11)

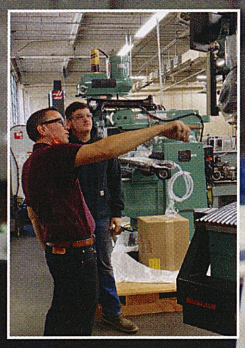


IN TUNE

The color guard began practicing at the beginning of the summer in order to teach new members maneuvers and the Big K's style of marching.

Photo: 1983 *Campus*, p. 41

# WHATS *going on* HERE?



### *mill machine*

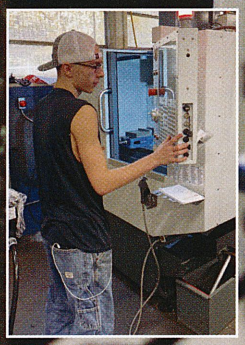
Our teacher was demonstrating how the new mill machines work. I am looking forward to using the new machines."

*Diesel Hill* (12)

### *cnc lathe*

I was using the new CNC lathe machine. I needed to program it to cut a part between centers to practice for a NIMS certification. I hope to work co-op at some point."

*CJ Seibel* (10)



### *cnc mill*

"I am programming the CNC mill for a NIMS certification in order to work on an aluminum block."

*Matt Kerr* (11)

### *Know the drill...*

While working on her NIMS certification, Emma Hibner (11) sets up her machine to drill a hole in her mill block. Hibner said, "I was setting up the table to get my X and Y axes set up in order to drill it out." Hibner started in Machine Tool three years ago, and she planned to continue her career in machining out of high school.

Photo: *A. Mydock* (11)

# A MIX *of old and* NEW

TRAK MACHINE TOOLS

The shop previously known as Machine Tool, now known as Advanced Manufacturing, received a much-needed upgrade thanks to the donations from TRAK and Oberg Industries. TRAK, located in Pittsburgh, donated two brand new mill machines, one new lathe, and a myriad of practice materials for the students. The Oberg company, located in Freeport and Sarver, donated two new surface grinders.

Shop teacher Mr. Hockenberry said, "We appreciate the donations we got this year. The estimated total of all the new equipment from TRAK is roughly $8,300 and Oberg's donation was estimated at $10,000."

"I really like tig welding. It's just so fun. What got me into welding was my fifth and sixth grade humanities teacher."

*Nathan Potanko* (12) Welding

"I was originally interested in vet school, but I changed my mind because I like working on cars better."

*Ethan Riley* (12) Auto Body

"I really liked getting my hands on this compressor since I am taking it apart to learn how it all works. It was a great experience."

*David Dickun* (9) HVAC

"In the building and construction shop, I started during my freshman year. I enjoy working with my hands. After I graduate, I'll do whatever comes next, hopefully join the union."

*Hunter Medred* (11)

# *Hands on helping*

# adapt, adjust, modify, shift, revise, advance

## Techers reflect on effects of 2020 school year

Story: *G. Kraus* (11)

If someone could only use a single word to sum up this past year, that word might be change. With the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic still lingering on, as well as other unexpected challenges like flooding in the school, students at Vo-Tech had to adapt to a lot of change.

Dayus Fruechtel (12) noticed how the pandemic affected some of her peers' academics in the long run.

Fruechtel said, "All of the time at home during the lockdown caused a big learning gap to form in the students. Now, you can really see some of them excelling in their fields, while others are falling behind."

After moving to Kiski mid-last year, Ryan McGinnis (10) had to adapt to not only one, but two new schools.

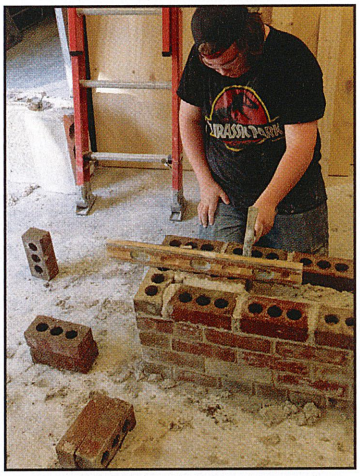
McGinnis said, "At my old school in Texas, all of the shops and classes were in the same building. It was difficult at first to adjust to having the shops in a separate building, but it's gotten much better. I've been having a lot of fun here."

As someone studying cosmetology at Vo-Tech, Noah Shirley (12) found it difficult to receive his full learning experience.

"It's hard to navigate all of the regulations that have been put in place by the Board of Cosmetology due to the pandemic for both the students and teachers. It's been a learning experience for us all."

Photo: *J. Bielek* (12)

Photo: *J. Mattis* (11)



### Sticky stack...

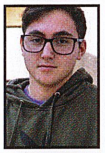
As Montega Sippel (11) practices his wall-building skills, he uses a level to guarantee his mortar distribution goes on evenly. Sippel said, "I find that using my trowel and pencil help me the most when I am in the shop." He planned to branch out after graduation and seek a career as an electrician.

## GET in the field OF WORK

Discuss how Co-op has prepared you for your career.

"Co-op creates an opportunity for me to get out in the real world and understand that the work I will be doing isn't the same as being in the classroom."

*Gerald Schafer* (12)



"It gives you work in the field and shows you a real world demonstration of what you're going to be doing."

*Seth Goldstrom* (12)

"It prepares you by showing you what a real work environment is like and all the different tasks you will have to do in your field of work."

*Phil Miller* (12)

"You get to learn before you go into the trade."

*Logan Haas* (11)

"You get used to how it will be working in your field, and it sets up a job so you have one coming out of high school and don't have to go searching for one."

*Conner Murray* (12)

### Practicing skills...

Working to get better at her trade, Savanna Atkinson (10) places hair curlers in a mannequin's hair. Atkinson said, "At first, I wasn't sure if I wanted to do Tech, but I ended up getting in and decided to stick with it." Atkinson signed up for cosmetology, and she said she has learned many other life skills on her path thus far.

### Ugh... eggs...

With Aliahya Green (10), Clayton Smith (12) cuts the plastic off a slab of ribs. Smith said, "I hate working with eggs. That's all we used my sophomore year, and the mess we made afterwards was horrible." Smith gladly switched out of Health Occupations and into Culinary after his freshman year.

Photo: *A. Mydock* (11)

Discuss the craziest thing you have seen or experienced at Vo-Tech.

"When Sabrina Wilson (11) broke a mercury thermometer and it went everywhere, it took forever to clean up. We had to use a whole box of alcohol wipes and more."

*Caitlyn Burton* (12)

TASKS

Tressa Shaffer (1991 grad) stands behind her display as she shows off her retail management skills.

Photo: 1991 *Campus*, p. 127

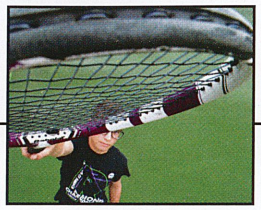
# PSPA STUDENT *journalism contests*

Three students submit pictures for Pennsylvania School Press Association Photo Contests

### framing

"I did my best to get low to the ground to get a good angle on the shot. I also wanted a long exposure on the sparks."

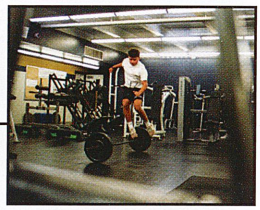
*Jayden Mattis* (11)



### unique angle

"To get this angle, I had to crawl up and stand on a trash can. Even with that, I still wasn't tall enough to get what I really wanted."

*Faith Boyle* (12)



### best in show

"For this shot, I was going for a unique perspective in the weight room. I also wanted framing and frozen action in the shot."

*Jack Konieczny* (12)

# FIRST ANNUAL *Academic Comprehensive Math* PHOTO AWARDS

Comments from Mr. Fantaski

(Tie for first place)

**1** *Jameson Sales (12)*

"This picture is just masterful, buddy. It's so creative. You captured the same fence on the right as about six other students. Still, you found that spider web. I don't think I can think of a better example of this *Beauty in Lines* project than you did with that spun silk."

*Tied for first place.*

**2** *Caleb Custer (11)*

"I'll confess this right now. In no other assignment asking for great lines and balance will anything ever in the history of mankind ever beat this picture. It's just mathematically perfect. I would imagine that a pic like this one would inspire Escher to make a new drawing. I'm just in awe of this one. Great job, Caleb. It's beautiful."

*Tied for first place.*

**3** *Jake Motosicky (12)*

"Who doesn't love a photo with Deashaun Rhine framed perfectly in a sliver? I do. Jacob, this met the requirements of the prompt and blew me away. I couldn't figure out how you did this. A fork tine was all I could think of. I finally figured out that you took this pic through the holes in a chair. It's wonderful."

**4** *Adaleine Marangoni (12)*

"Question #2 had you finding a great example of two or more parallel lines with positive slopes. I had some phenomenal examples for this. Still, none better than this one. I so appreciated your eye in even spotting this, Adaleine. And why on earth are those plants heading northeast? For the sun? I'm so intrigued by this shot."

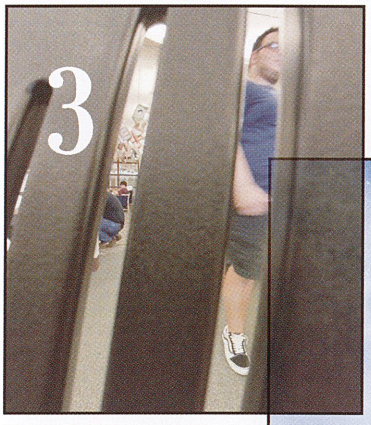



Photo: *J. Motosicky* (12)

Photo: *A. Marangoni* (12)

Photo: *C. Custer* (11)

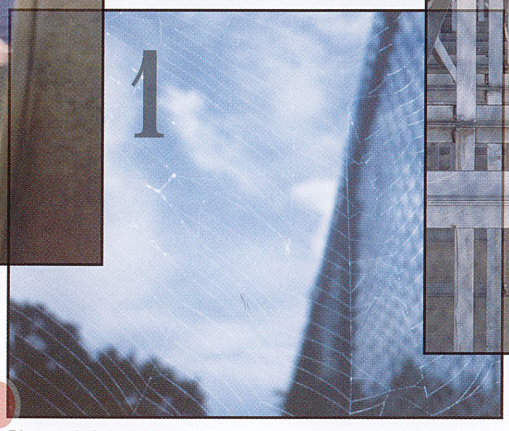
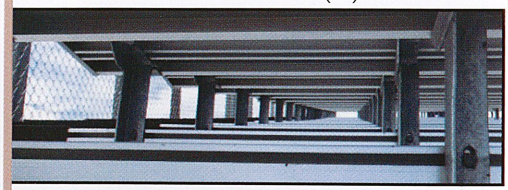



Photo: *J. Sales* (12)

# looking outside the box

Story: *R. Frye* (11)

Photo: *C. Muschick* (11)



*Draws me right in...*

For the final assessment on straight lines in Mr. Fantaski's ACM class, Sheyenne Muschick (11) demonstrates parallel lines with a shot from under the new bleachers. Muschick said, "I love this picture because there are so many lines to look at. In order to get this shot, I had to put my phone under the seats so that I was able to see the top and bottom."

## Students take mind-blowing photographs

Inspiration can strike anywhere, anytime, any place. Both Mr. Fantaski and Mrs. Gracey assigned their students a project that creatively involved cell phone photography. The assignment for Gracey involved taking framed pictures.

Hailey Briggs (11) said, "What inspired me to capture the pictures I got was to try and get a unique framing. I wanted to think outside the box to get something really unique."

"My favorite part was seeing my final product because I surprised myself with the cool-looking pictures I took," Sophia Hranica (9) said.

One student had a more practical and economical approach to the project.

"I just took random pictures," Brenden Lott (10) said.

Fantaski's project included capturing the beauty in natural lines in the outside world, which encouraged students to really think creatively for inspirations.

"I guess I just have an eye for these types of things, I just saw the vines and thought it'd be perfect," Adaleine Marangoni (12) said, "I really like the outdoors and the freedom that came with the project."

"I just looked down and saw some interesting lines that looked like they would work for the project," Andrew Alexander (11) said.

Though inspired by different aspects, their objectives remained the same: to capture pictures that met the standards for the project.

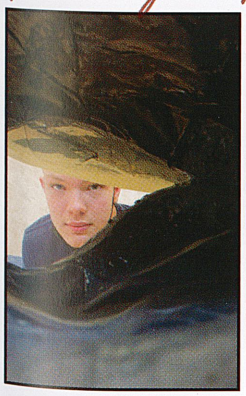
"I was just inspired by the grade that was about to go in the gradebook," Sheyenne Muschick (11) said, "but I really enjoyed the freedom that was given to us to be able to take some pretty amazing pictures."

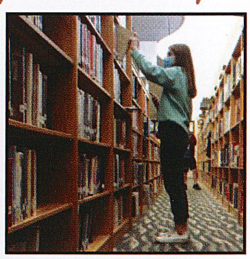
### Framed...

While taking framing shots in Photoshop class, Ethan Ledbetter snaps a photo of Andrew Fleming. "We picked random objects to be our frame and were basically messing around and ended up with a great photo," Fleming said. Ledbetter and Fleming became friends seven years ago.

Photo: *E. Ledbetter* (11)

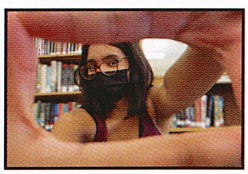
# The right frame of mind...





### Brenden Lott (10)...

"It was difficult to get Brian Davenport (11) in the frame because the hole was so small. He's framed by the mouth of the elephant in the atrium."



### Emily Zezyus (9)...

"I knelt and angled toward the ceiling. It took a bit of work to get my sister Ann posed perfectly. I also had to wait for people to move out of the background."

### Bri Pollock (9)...

"My friend Sylvia Chin (10) was in the library so I asked her to be in my photo. She put her fingers up like a frame, and I took the picture."

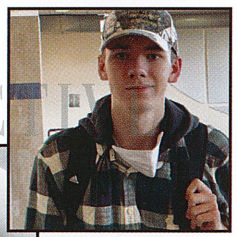
To get a picture for the yearbook spread, Hallie Zidek (10) and Kylie Zaffina (10) used the color guard mirrors to frame Zidek inside her own arm.

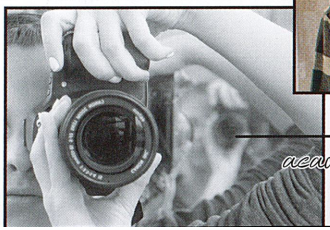
Photo: 2016 *Campus*, p. 176

## What inspired you to take photographs?

"I did a Multimedia class in 2018 at Tech where we learned to edit photos that we took. I really liked taking the photos, so I stuck with it."

*Zach Myers* (11)





# ART makes you SMART

In art, skill, precision, and patience help describe what students need to create great works of art. Sometimes things out of ones control and can lead to disaster. However, the right combination of skill, precision, and patience paired with luck can allow for great success.

Students discussed some of their art projects and sought to get a full understanding of how their project turned out.

### old and defective

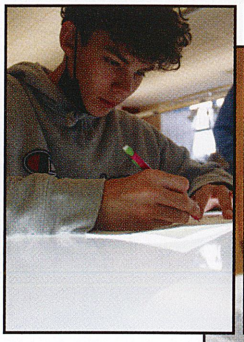
"Unfortunately, my coffee mug didn't go well. The glaze was too old and it didn't fire correctly which fogged up the entire mug."
*Jack Coleman* (12)

### pear necessities

"Using only graphite pencils, we had to draw pears. It took four or five class periods to complete. The shading was the hardest part."
*Anders Bordoy* (11)

### up, up, and away

"From the different categories I had to choose from, I chose pop-art. This plane I was building was made of styrofoam and plaster that required two layers and five class periods."
*Savannah Renwick* (11)



Photos: *P. Fantaski* (fac)

## BEST advice

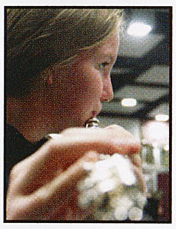
"DON'T TAKE HIGH SCHOOL AS A JOKE. STUDY AND WORK HARD TO BE THE BEST VERSION OF YOU."

*DIMITRI SPAGNOLA* (9)

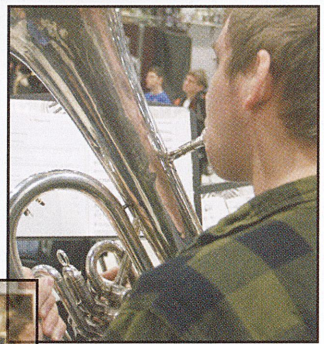
# The halls are alive with the sound of music

"We have about five songs we're practicing for the February concert in Symphonic Band. *Temecula Valley Fanfare* is not a difficult song for the tuba."
*Garrett Seymour* (10)

"I started playing the bass drum in seventh grade. I like being a part of Percussion Ensemble and I especially liked playing *Coventry Carol*."
*Jordan Bielunis* (9)



"During marching band season, I am in the colorguard. When that season ends, I get my flute back out for Concert Band. I take time out of my schedule to practice at home every Sunday."
*Miranda Crofutt* (11)



"I've played the trumpet longer and I do it for marching band. However, in Concert Band, I've been working hard on the baritone to get just as good. The song *Orion* has been challenging due to my getting used to the baritone."
*Josh Retter* (9)

"We started practicing the song *Ride* in Wind Ensemble in early November. It is probably the most difficult song we'll play in the February concert."
*Kelina Smith* (9)

# cookin

### Sweet treats...

While preparing some ingredients in Baking and Pastries class, Adelyne Ledbetter (9) and Brandon Lawhorn Moore (12) chop up chocolate as specified by the recipe for rocky road cookies. Ledbetter said, "In this rotation, I was the head chef while Beef (Lawhorn Moore) and Landon Kucic (9) were my sous chefs." Ledbetter and her crew made the cookies for the Christmas Tea.

Photo: *P. Fantaski* (fac)

Photo: *S. Gracey* (fac)

Photo: *P. Fantaski* (fac)

### Precision matters...

After learning the basics in Manufacturing Class, Tristen Nguyen (10) uses his knowledge in Advanced Materials to build a candy machine. "I've got to be very careful with my measurements. If I don't cut it the exact right length, it causes problems that may be harder to fix later," Nguyen said. His candy machine took him about six or seven weeks to complete.

### A new level of smooth...

In Manufacturing 1, John Shirey (10) tries to sand out the burn marks on the surface of his cutting board. Shirey said, "I don't remember where the burn marks came from, but I got them mostly out and the cutting board turned out good." Shirey ranked building his rubber band car in Transportation 1 as his favorite tech class project.

# THAT takes some serious SKILL

Discuss the skill it took to make your creation.

### Sewing peels...

"To practice for sewing up small animals later, we used bananas to suture in Anatomy and Physiology. Bananas are the closest thing to human skin too."

*Caitlyn Burton* (12)

### Carving artists...

"Mackenzie Moore (11) and I were carving out our designs on clay tiles in art class. It took us a few days, but mine turned out good."

*Caitlin Ward* (11)

### Penn State pallet...

"In Advanced Graphics, I made a We are Penn State pallet for my mom who graduated from there. I am thinking of going there too."

*Hannah Kastelic* (12)

### Graphing with ease...

"I was drawing a handwheel for an assignment in CAD 1. It wasn't a difficult project because the CAD program is user friendly and only took a week to get comfortable with."

*Charles Frick* (9)

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# Giving up an interest and skill

Students discuss their talents

Story: *R. Frye* (11)

Skills can come naturally to someone or come later in life through practice. Everyone has skills, but each individual has a different, unique, or special type of skill. Cooking, running, jumping, testing, talking, working, etc. represent just a few of the 50,000 skills of the entire world.

As for Emma Beck (12), her passion falls under designing, "My family inspired me to create everything in Graphics Design this year because they are my biggest influence and made me who I am today," Beck said.

Under the creating category falls Jack Coleman (12), whose eye falls for art. "I design what I think is cool, what I like, or what is in my life constantly. I enjoy art because I can express myself," Coleman said.

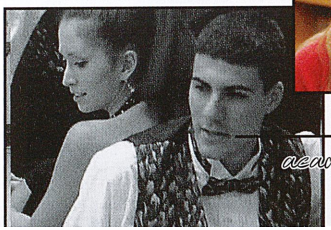
Skills can also include doing physically demanding activities like sports, actively serving in the military, and for Rebekah Frye (9) this includes color/winter guard.

"I really love and live for participating in guard. I practice all the time, and sometimes I still do screw up and I need to work on some different skills to make sure that I master them for the shows," Frye said.

In cheer, do you prefer flyer, base, or backspot?

"When I did middle school cheer, I got dropped as a flyer on my head, so now I am a base."

*Allison Zdobinski* (11)



Kelsey Shoupe and Brad Lookabaugh (2006 grads) sit back to back during *Defying Gravity*. When asked about the most crowd-pleasing part of Kaleidoscope's show, the ensemble agreed that Rocky Top brought the house down.

Photo: 2006 *Campus*, p. 166

# HORA de COMER

## bola de queso

"My presentation about making a cheese ball went well. My friend Pailey Vitale (12) said the cheeseball tasted really good."

*Emma King* (11)



## s'mores frio

"From a list of possible recipes, I chose to present and make cold S'mores. They turned out really well."

*Carter Leviski* (10)



## hablar de jalea

"My presentation was to discuss the steps of making a PB+J sandwich. We got to work on it for 2-3 weeks, and I was pleased with it."

*Tyler Zoldak* (10)

### Hacer un sándwich...

During the longest presentation project in Spanish class, Dylan Davenport explains the finer points of making a peanut butter and jelly sandwich. Davenport said, "The toughest part was explaining the process in seven steps. The Spanish part was easy." The reading of a seven sentence paragraph turned out as his next most difficult presentation in Spanish III.

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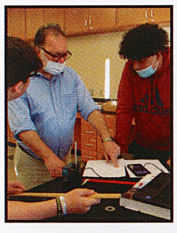


"In my first period Physics class, Mr. DeSantis gave us some pointers to help us through the Projectile Motion Lab. In the end, we got a good grade for the lab."

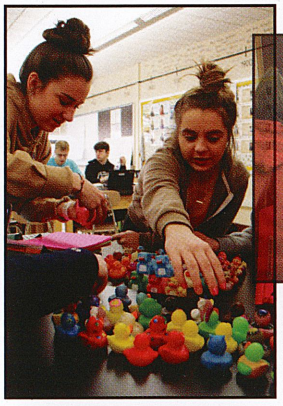
*Deshaun McBryde* (11)

"Cassia Remencus and I roleplayed as a camp counselor and teenage camper in French to find out what camping preparations have been made. We had to say everything in French."

*McKenzie Kuth* (11)

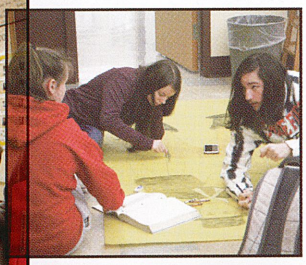
"During a free moment in class, Elisabeth [Stevens] and I were showing each other pictures on our phones and talking about shopping apps we use."

*Margaret Pulice* (12)



"In AP Computer Science, Mrs. Schaeffer has a bunch of rubber ducks to help relieve our stress and talk out our problems about coding. Payton Buffone and I had so much fun playing with ducks that we forgot all about coding."

*Lexi Bollinger* (11)



"After we read *The Crucible*, we had to make a character from the book and highlight personality traits using their parts of their body. We had Reverend Hale, and my partners were Faith Ashbaugh and Casey Gorman."

*Gabriel Racioppi* (11)

"In French I, Samantha Brandt interviewed me in French about my likes and dislikes. Afterwards, we had to share the information with the class. It was a simple exercise in speaking the language aloud."

*Leyanna Ferguson* (9)

Photo: J. Swanson (fac.)

# city palms and heart palpitations

## Three high school years calm fear of speaking in public

Story: *L. Getty* (11)

Glossophobia: The fear of speaking in public places. Certainly, the transition between middle school and high school instigated a lot of stress, sleepless nights, and anxiety. Beyond the usual changes, students had to tackle new tasks, namely speaking confidently in front of their peers and others.

"I really didn't have a problem talking before others because of the *Kevin Croney Foundation*. I've had to present in front of an auditorium full of people since I was in fifth grade. My experience with addressing masses of people made it easier to tackle smaller scale projects in high school," Olivia Croney (12) said.

While Croney found inspiration in a worthy cause, another student recalled a more personal and musical experience.

"The most memorable presentation I had was for tenth grade English class. We had to present song lyrics to practice interpreting phrases in preparation for our poetry unit. I chose the song *My 2 Lovely Uncles* by Oney & Supermega." Dylan Arner (12) said.

With three years of high school under their belts, the opportunity to mature settled some nerves.

"There's definitely a big change from my freshman year to now. I was always nervous presenting until we started virtual schooling. After our year in isolation, I found it hard to care about presenting; my nerves had totally dissipated." Pailey Vitale (12) said.

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### *Practically a practitioner...*

While explaining her plans for the future, Emily Rouse (12) presents her Honors English IV career project. Rouse said, "I wore scrubs for my presentation to show more about nurse practitioners." Rouse planned to attend Gannon University and earn her Bachelor's and Master's Degrees in five years.

### *Resourceful sydney...*

As they get ready for a test, Mr. Jankowski helps Sydney Euchler (10) and Noah Matson (10) look over their Algebra II homework. Euchler said, "I enjoy math a lot, but sometimes it gets confusing, and I need extra help." Euchler appreciated her Resource period since Mr. Jankowski helped to clear up the fuzzy concepts for her.

### *Mucha memorización...*

In her Spanish I class, Kaelyn Phillips (10), Brionna Pollock (9), and Rachael Spaniel (9) memorize their lines for a presentation. Phillips said, "I don't really like doing presentations, but this was a little better since I could do it with my friends." Phillips, Pollock, and Spaniel crushed it on their presentation earning the highest score possible.

## PERSONALLY *preferable* PODCASTS

### Students find delight and further education with podcasts

*All of Us*

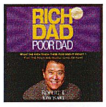
"I get caught up on women's soccer podcasts from the year during the summer."

*Payton Buffone* (11)

*We Bought a House*

"I get to hear it about twice a month. The episodes are each about an hour and a half."

*Nina Konieczny* (10)




*Rich Dad, Poor Dad*

"Even though this podcast has ended, any podcast that Robert Kiyosaki is on I will listen to."

*Aubrey Carion* (11)

*Moments the Podcast* with Lexi Hidalgo

"I listen to it about three times per month. Each episode is about 30 minutes."

*Bryn Hewitt* (11)

*Distractible*

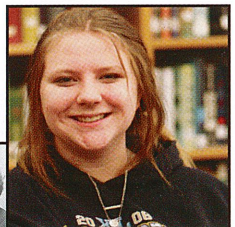
"It is a podcast that comes out about three times per month, and each episode is usually an hour in length."

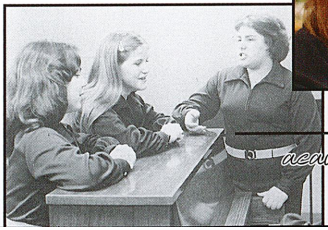
*Annie Bowser* (11)

"In health class, the St. Vincent de Paul presentation about living a drug-free life and emotional health was very interesting."

*Leah Derzic* (9)

### What presentation in a class really stood out to you?





Sally Altmeyer and Debbie Waterloo listen to Ann Silvestri's opinion on Jazz Rock's rendition of *Car Wash*.

Photo: 1977 *Campus*, p. 123

# MY POSSIBLE *back up plan*

If you had to pick any other Vo-Tech class to attend, which one would you choose?

### *Health Occupations*

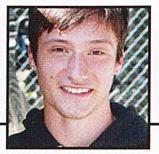
"When I started at the Vo-Tech, I was stuck deciding between cosmo and health occupations. As much as I love cosmo, learning about the medical field would have been a cool experience."

*Jenna Dubac* (12) Cosmetology

### *Auto Body*

"I like to work with cars; detailing cars is my favorite. I like working on all parts of the car."

*David Shevlin* (11) HVAC



### *Auto Mechanics*

"I really like cars, and when I have the chance, I like to work on cars. I worked with my dad's friends on an engine before, and I really liked it."

*Phillip Miller* (12) Welding

### *Carpentry*

"Carpentry... because it smells good, and I've always liked that kind of stuff. I would like to build IKEA stuff."

*Sabrina Wilson* (11) Health Occupations

### *Welding*

"Welding would be the best route right out of high school. It would be pretty cool."

*Clayton Smith* (12) Culinary

# WHAT IT TAKES *to work* WITH WOOD

Up to four years in the carpentry program set students up to complete their culminating senior project. The project involved designing what they wanted to build, drawing blueprints for it, getting the necessary lumber brought in to construct it, building it, and getting it home after completion. Past projects have included toy boxes for younger siblings, entertainment centers for their bedrooms, bed frames, kitchen cabinets, and even a small shed for a lawn mower and tools.

1 *Alyssa Seibel (10)...*
"This is my first year of carpentry and I plan on continuing to do carpentry."

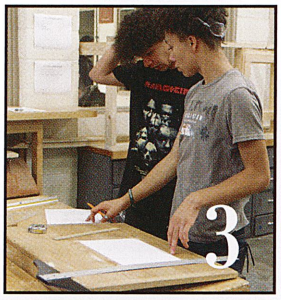
2 *Seth McGranahan (12)...*
"The mask mandate has little to no affect on my field."

3 *Jaren Jackson (10)...*
"I was drawing blueprints for my blocks assignment."

4 *Donovan Gibbon (12)...*
"The Friday schedule sucks because it doesn't give a lot of time to do much work."

Photo: *A. Mydock* (11)

Photo: *A. Celo* (11)

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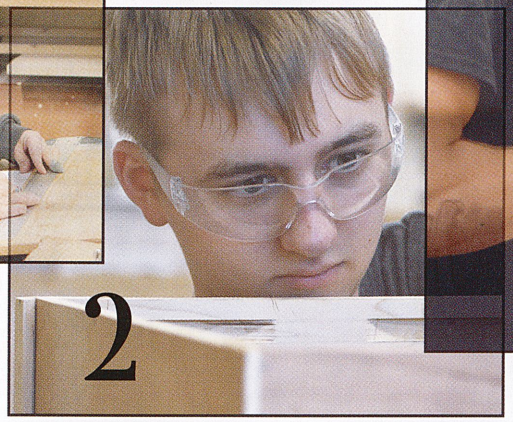



Photo: *J. Bielek* (12)

# students *helping teachers*

Story: *R. Frye* (11)

*Rejuvenating restoration...*

After sitting in an old, dank cellar for numerous years, Mr. Swanson's dining room chair gets some love. Mr. Swanson said, "The chair broke when my mother-in-law owned it. It collected mildew after sitting in the cellar. I cleaned it up, took it to Mr. Serena's carpentry class, and Nick Hughes and Devin Burkett did a great job on it." Carpentry teacher Mr. Chris Serena had Mr. Swanson for Algebra back in the early 2000s.

## Vo-Tech students take requests from teachers

Saws whirring. Hammers pounding. Students laughing. Nick Hughes (12) and Devin Burkett (12) have worked side by side since freshman year at Vo-Tech. As they matured and grew, so did their carpentry projects. Respected librarian, Mr. John Swanson, asked Mr. Chris Serena, the carpentry teacher, to have students repair and fix up a hoosier cabinet that belonged to his wife's family for over 60 years.

Hughes said, "The hutch is older than dirt. The hardest part was taking the four layers of paint off."

"I can not wait to see the final outcome of this hutch, with all of the fixing-up that needs to be done," Burkett said.

Regarding other teachers' projects that have landed in their shop, Hughes and Burkett said, "We did a dining room table, referred to as a custom-built table, lanterns for a wedding, which was fun because we got to burn them, a wall hutch with a wine rack, a cornhole set, and a wooden side table."

In the auto mechanics shop, Deashaun Rhine (12), David Winning (11), and Dalton Pflum (11) have worked on vehicles from some of their teachers at NWCTC, including a hole in the exhaust and a blown engine on a 2007 Ford F-150.

### Sanded down...

While sanding the many, many old layers of paint, Nick Hughes (12) and Devin Burkett (12) finally break through to the original wood. Hughes said, "My father and my grandfather motivated me to get into carpentry, and I really enjoy it." As a carpenter, Hughes indicated that in order to complete his required 1440 hours, he would need his handy hammer at all times.

Photo: *J. Bielek* (12)

# heating, ventilation, and AC

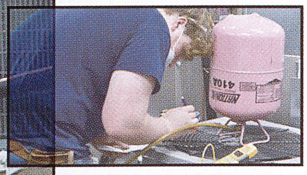


Photo: *J. Mattis* (11)

*Nate Fouse (11)...*

"I really enjoy how it's mostly hands on and mostly mechanical. It's a lot of taking things apart and putting them back together."

Photo: *J. Bielek* (12)

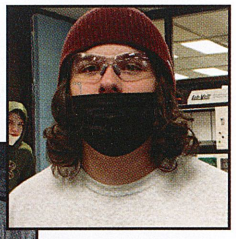
*Jack Skroupa (11)...*

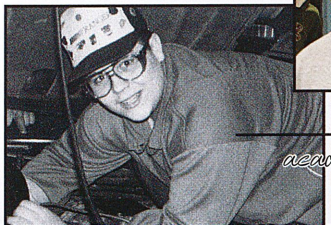
"I plan on continuing to do this in the future, and I'm gonna see where it takes me."

Discuss the craziest thing you have seen or experienced at Vo-Tech.

"We were putting in a water line and Austin Moyer (10) was soldering and almost caught the school on fire."

*Kyle Petersen* (10)





For as long as the country depends on cars to get people from here to there, auto mechanics will continue to find willing students for that program.

Photo: 1987 *Campus*, p. 192

Spread Design and Photos: *J. Coleman* (12)

# The Fibonacci Sequence

# Where ART Meets MATH

**Mrs. Schaeffer and Mrs. Lynch dissect *Fibonacci Sequence***

Story: *R. Frye* (11)

The *Fibonacci Sequence*: 1+1=2. 1+2=3. 2+3=5... Simply add the last two numbers listed in the series. Mrs. Schaeffer's Calculus II classes got the unique opportunity to not only learn about the *Fibonacci Sequence* through math, but also through its incredible connection to art, where Mrs. Lynch took over.

"Mrs. Schaeffer did a review of the sequence and the numbers behind it, whereas I came in and gave the artistic perspective with a focus on the *Golden Rectangle* and the spiral and how they used it in art and architecture," Mrs. Lynch said.

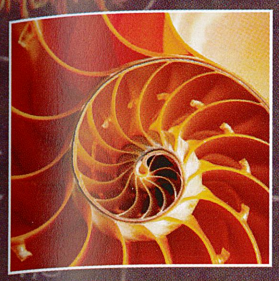
On Thursday, January 20, Lynch and Schaeffer held a working luncheon for the Calc II students. The menu included assorted sandwiches and chips, a drink, and bowls of candy for extra brain power.

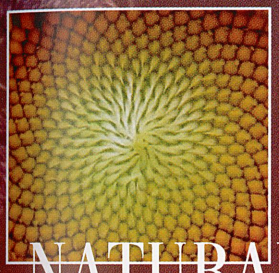
"I'd like to think that it was successful," Lynch said, "I hope they walked away with a new perspective of the *Fibonacci Sequence* and that it was not just limited to the math room."

"I liked drawing the rectangles. It is kind of cool how Mrs. Lynch had a different take on it," Lindsey Zera (12) said.

Found not only in the classroom, but also in things like flower petals and cacti in nature, Ann Zezyus (12) said, "The sequence plays a big role in different aspects of our everyday lives."

"The main goal was to present a different perspective of the *Fibonacci Sequence* to the students in order to reinforce the concept, broaden their knowledge of the subject, and give them an opportunity to explore the idea in a unique way," Lynch said.





## NATURAL *Occurances*

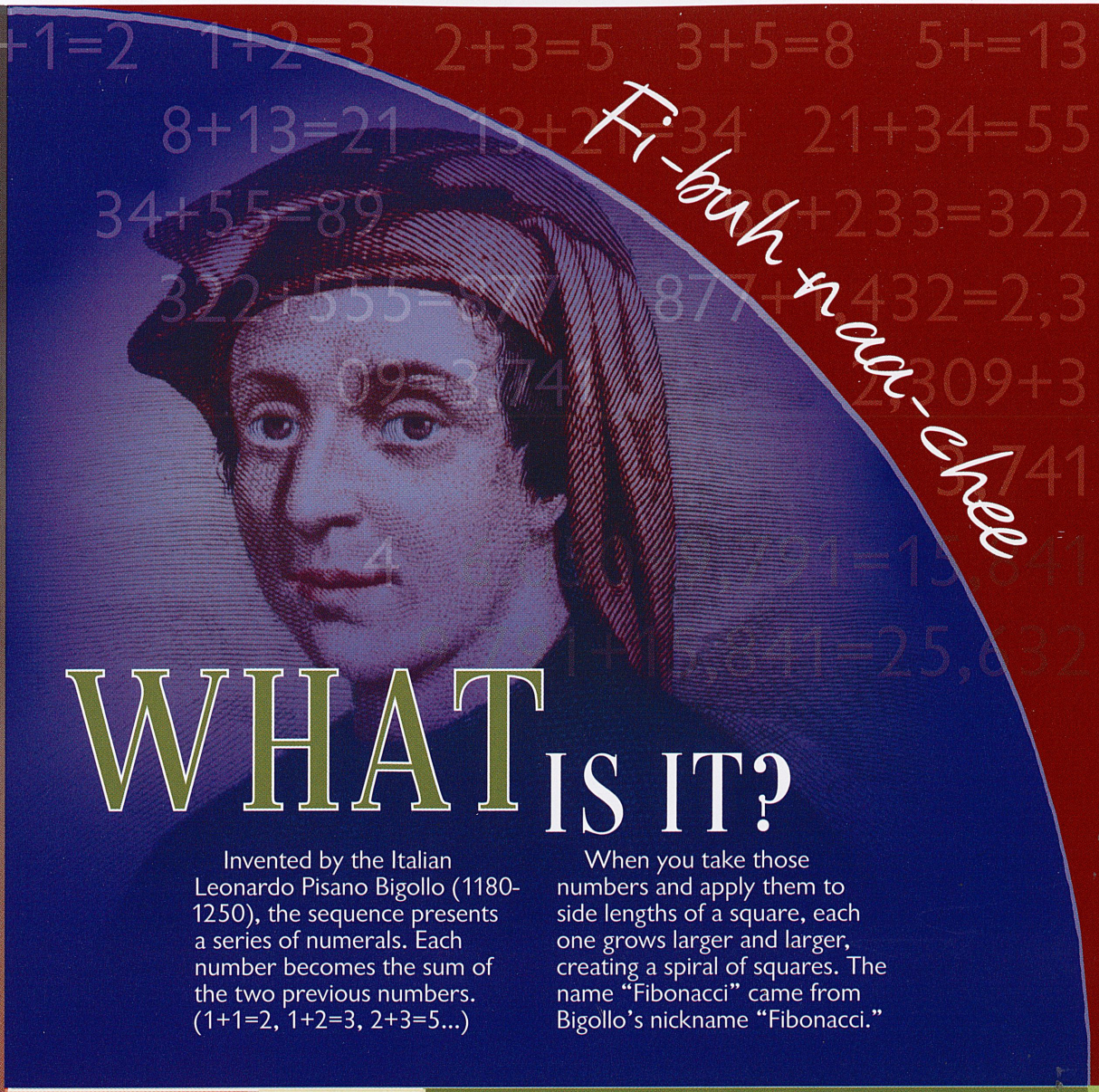
### *Sequence of events...*

In Mrs. Lynch's room on January 20, Calculus BC students partook in a workshop that coupled math and art. Calc teacher Mrs. Schaeffer said, "We tried to give the students an appreciation for how calculus is used in other disciplines." The event concluded with an art opportunity for all.

### *Fantastic Fibonacci...*

After the *Fibonacci* presentation, Owen Zimmerman (12) shows off his artwork that features a profile of Zach Jordan's (12) head using the concepts learned in the lesson. Zimmerman said, "I think it looks just like him. It turned out really good." Zimmerman admitted that Jordan did not have the same sentiments.

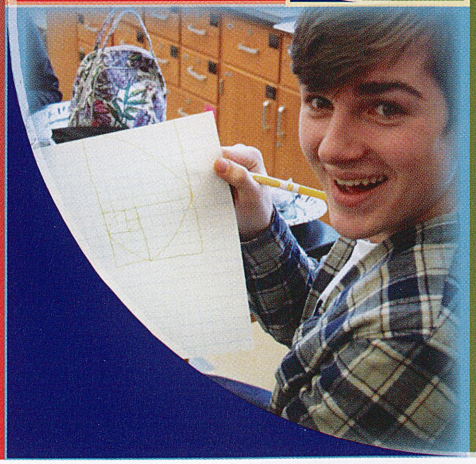
*Fi-buh-naa-chee*



# WHAT IS IT?

Invented by the Italian Leonardo Pisano Bigollo (1180-1250), the sequence presents a series of numerals. Each number becomes the sum of the two previous numbers. (1+1=2, 1+2=3, 2+3=5...)

When you take those numbers and apply them to side lengths of a square, each one grows larger and larger, creating a spiral of squares. The name "Fibonacci" came from Bigollo's nickname "Fibonacci."



# YOUR *turn...*

The *Fibonacci Sequence* displays numerical composition beauty and appears in many famous pieces of artwork—*Mona Lisa*, *Girl with the Pearl Earring*, and *The Stream*. After the presentation, students had to create their own piece that exhibited the *Fibonacci Sequence*.

Photo: *L. Mamros* (par)

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## Back bender...

As one of her best senior picture shots, Megan Hastings (12) practices her entry into the water off the bar. Hastings said, "You have to get an even amount of height and distance when you enter the water. It's really important, especially for the backstroke so that you don't hit your back off the water." In addition to swimming the backstroke, Hastings also enjoyed the freestyle and relay events.

# WPIAL champions...

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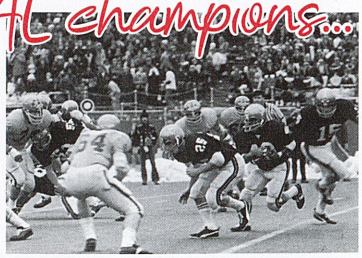

# 50 YEARS AGO

## All the way...

While sports enthusiasts predicted a rebuilding season for the boys, they rallied against team after team to make the postseason. Starting in mid-August in the Chapel at St. Francis, under the coaching of legend Dick Dilts, the football team found itself undefeated in the WPIAL playoffs against the Penn Hills Indians. Kicker Joe Stone sent the ball through the uprights for a 9-6 victory, lifting the team to its first WPIAL Championship game.

The final leg of the challenge, the team came face to face with Thomas-Jefferson High School at the University of Pittsburgh's stadium. In a hard-played defensive battle, the boys conquered TJHS with a score of 16-8, thus earning the school's first WPIAL Championship.

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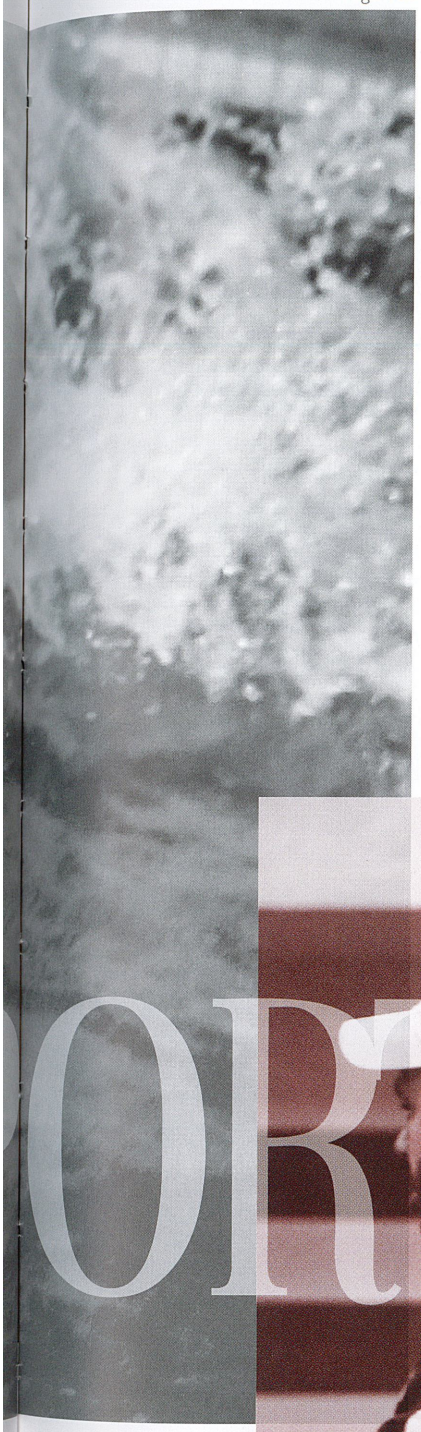

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

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## Every inch counts...

At the Hampton Talbot field, Brennan Moore (10) does everything he can to stretch out another inch in the long jump. Moore said, "In the long jump, you have to take your mind off the jump and concentrate more on instincts and the lines on the track. With enough practice, it should become second nature." In addition to long jump, Moore competed in the 100, 200, and 400X1 relay.

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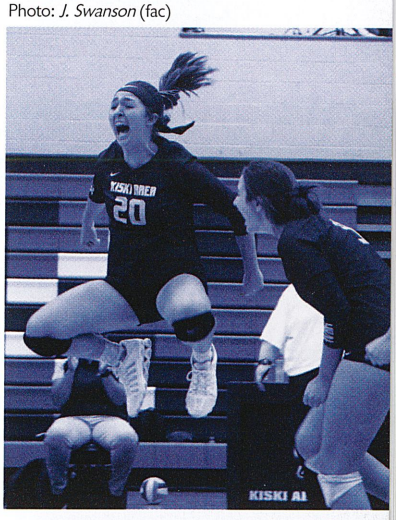


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## Can't hold back...

After a battle back and forth between the Greensburg Salem Golden Lions, the 29-27 victory in the first set finds Abbie Johns (10) airborne. "Of everyone on the team, I'm known as the one who hypes up every moment, and it always shows on my face," Johns said. The girls won that first match of the season by a score of 3-2.

## Out for blood...

Showing his scars from the Connellsville Duals Tournament, Clayton Cramer (10) looks up into the stands for his family. Cramer said, "The match beforehand, I got hit in the nose, and it started bleeding. A lot. They plugged it for me. Then, during this match, it started bleeding again. I did my best to not let it affect my focus and determination to win." Cramer ended up pinning Trent Huffman from the Falcons in the first period.

# ORTS

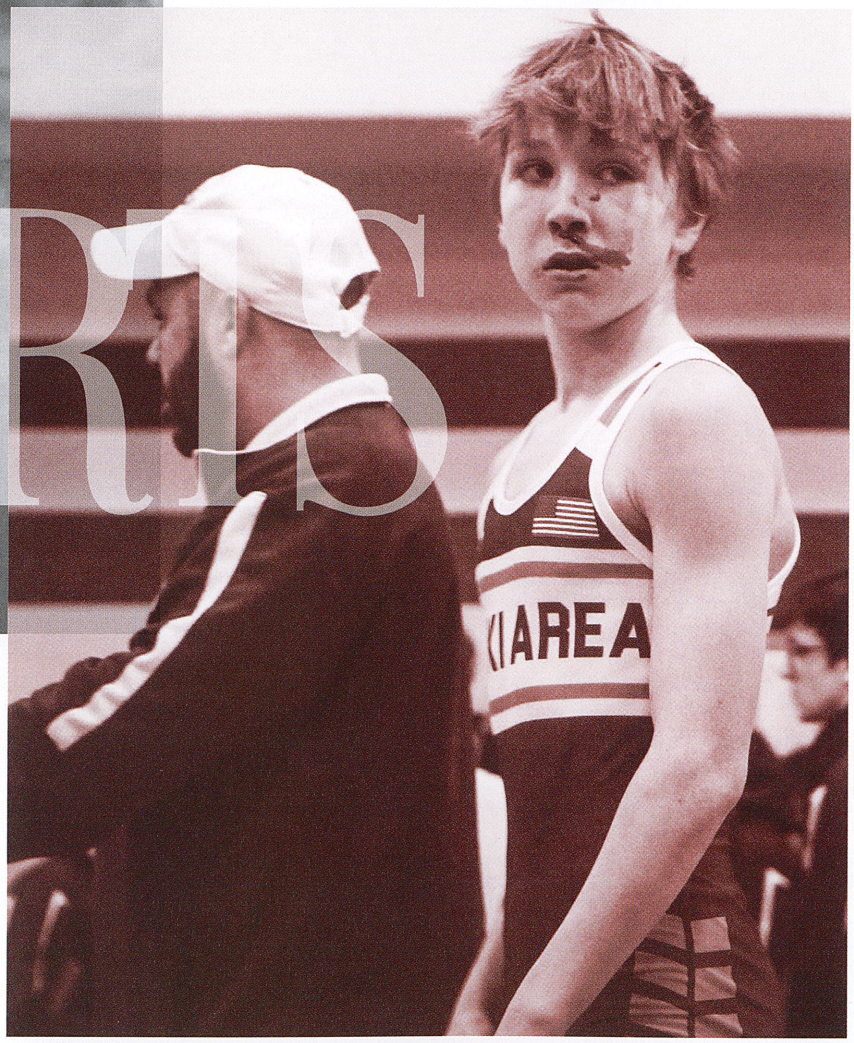

Photo: *C. Cramer* (2020 grad)

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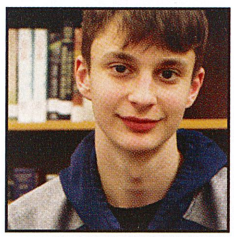
Discuss the greatest sports moment you've ever witnessed.

"Ichiro Suzuki's 3000th hit. When he was younger, his coaches tried to change his swing. He kept his swing and reached that milestone."

*Jonathan Walker* (9)



# KISKI ICE U14

## kiski area soccer league

*Front row:* Ali Hughes (Burrell); *Row 2:* Bella Devito (11), Payton Buffone (11), Sydney Joyce (11), Mya Riggle (Armstrong); *Back Row:* Brynn Bires (11), Kayla Mull (11), Riley Koziatek (11), Kalli Grine (Leechburg), Lexi Colaianni (11), Sydney Durancik (Apollo), Katrina Orange (12), Payton Sullivan (12), Karly Keller (12), Faith Andree (12).

Photo submitted: *K. Mull* (11)

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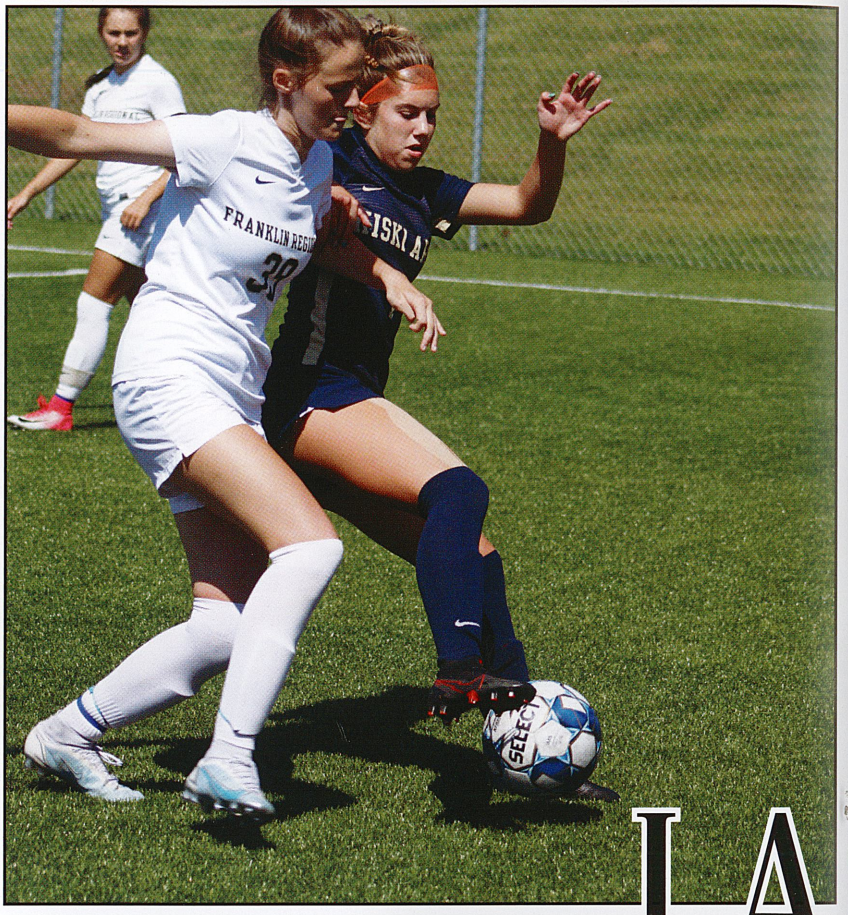

### Toss across...

From her outside back defensive position, Linzey Miller (12) prowls the sideline looking for a teammate to throw the ball to. Miller said, "When I do a throw-in, I try to get the ball as far down the line as I can so that one of my teammates can run onto it and get a scoring chance." Miller got the opportunity to play offense for two games this year, something she had never done.

### Step up to keep it out...

During the junior varsity game, Carli Luciano (12) dons a pinny and volunteers to play goalie. Luciano said, "I played goalie in youth soccer, so I am always willing to step back into the goal position to help out. But, I am happy to let Maxine Crosby (11) take on the varsity goalie duties." Luciano enjoyed the bus rides to away games for the bonding and relaxing time the team had.

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

# LAST

## BEST advice

**"GIVE IT YOUR ALL EVERY TIME YOU PLAY SO THAT YOU DON'T COME OFF THE FIELD DISAPPOINTED."**

*Bryanna Finney* (11)

### Steal and attack...

After Devan Sonafelt (11) wins the ball from Morgan Walters (12) of Franklin Regional, she looks to start the attack up the field to find an open teammate. Sonafelt said, "When it comes to playing aggressively, you have to do what you've got to do." Sonafelt hoped to continue playing soccer in college.

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

### Forward progress...

As Maddie Bachar (11) chases down the loose ball, she sees an opportunity to pass to an open teammate. "I absolutely love playing forward. When we play a highly intense game, I do a lot of running at my position," Bachar said. She noted that the first half of the home Franklin Regional game produced the most intensity and served as a season highlight for Bachar.

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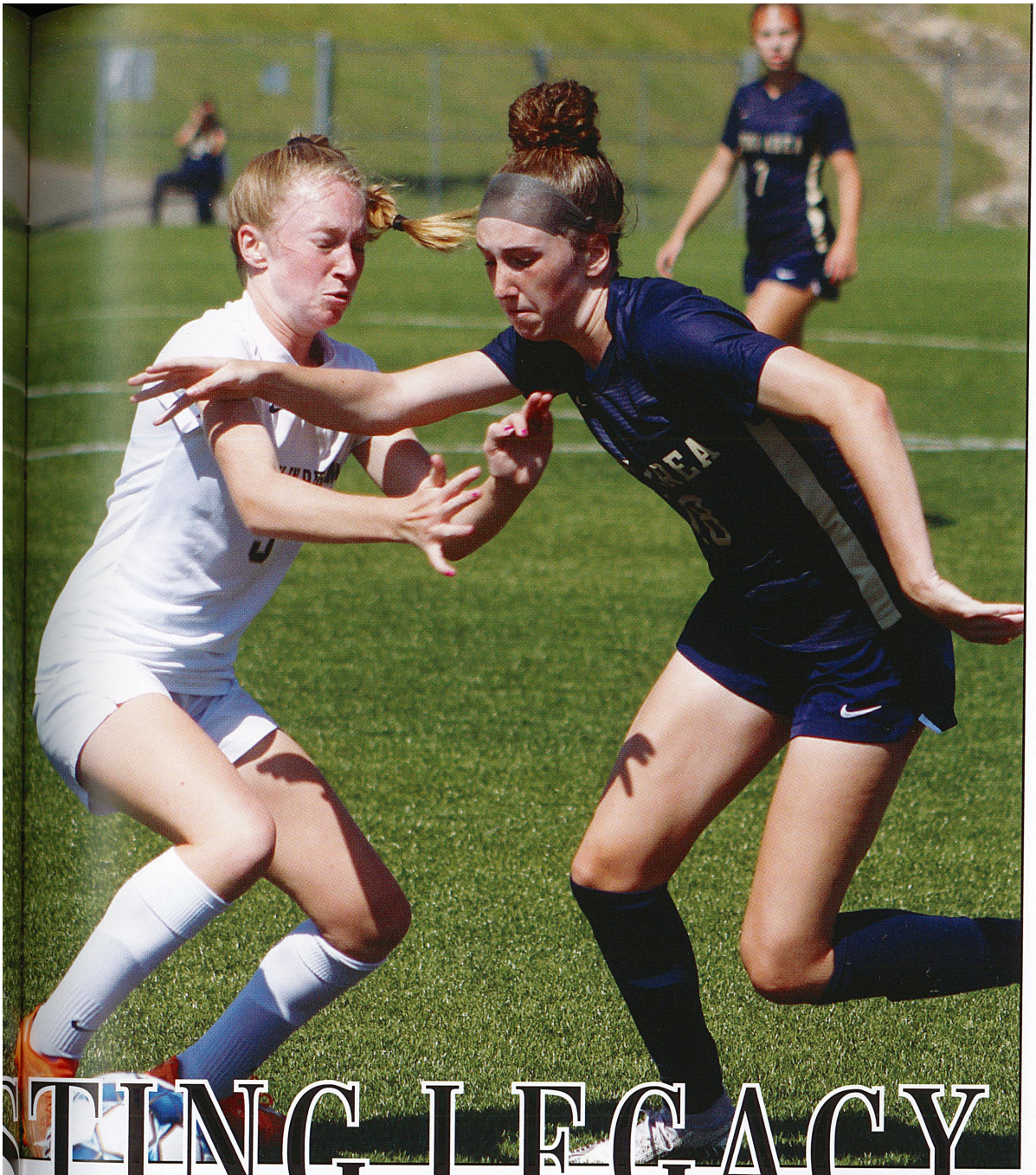

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# TING LEGACY

Story: *M. Knapp* (11)

## Mr. Shawn Kuhn's legacy felt by members of the girls' soccer team

The girls' soccer team's season produced a much more sentimental feeling than most. On September 9, 2021, the school held a service to rename the field in Mr. Shawn Kuhn's honor.

"The memorial affected me personally because I have known Shawn since I was four years old. My family and I have always been close with the Kuhns," Emerson Johngarlo (12) said.

Kuhn played a big role in getting things done for the soccer team.

"He was a major part of the reason we have the amazing turf field we play on today. He built the concession stand for us, and he was always there for anything that needed done or fixing no matter what it was," Riley Koziatek (11) said.

"It means so much to me that the field was dedicated in honor of him because he and the Kuhns deserve it so much. Every practice and game mean more to me because I am playing on this field." Johngarlo (12) said.

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

### Sign of a legend...

Unveiled on September 9, 2021, the scoreboard and field now sports the name of the soccer teams' supporter, Shawn Kuhn. Kuhn passed away unexpectedly in February, and the school community chose to dedicate the field in his memory.

"I played when I was six. I didn't like it. What I remember most from playing is crying in the middle of the field."

*Nina Summerhill* (12)

## PROFILE

*What position?*
Defensive Midfield

*Age you started?*
Three

*Nemesis team?*
Franklin Regional

*Idol Player?*
Lindsey Horan (USNWT)

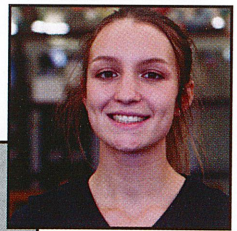
*alexis zidek (9)*

### *Clear space...*

Due to Lily Funari (10) of Franklin Regional making a big touch, Karly Keller (12) asserts herself and takes the ball away. "Franklin Regional is one of our more physical and bigger rivals. When we play them, we have to push back on them to stay in the game," Keller said. Keller indicated that she loved playing defense and frustrating her opponents when they couldn't get behind her.

## EMOTION

Why did you give up playing soccer?



Against Woodland Hills, Stephanie Sikora (2013 grad) received unbelievable aggression from the goalie. "I'm pretty sure she was psycho," Sikora said.

Photo: 2021 *Campus*, p. 130

# GIRLS' SOCCER

*Front Row:* Camryn Kunz, Sophia Hranica, Alexis Zidek, Isabella Horcicak, Paige Liti, Skyler Wahl, Kira Long, Rachael Spaniel; *Row 2:* Isabella Devito, Riley Koziatek, Madison Dodek, Monica Schmelzer, Maxine Crosby, Linzey Miller, Kayla Mull, Allison Thompson, Madison Bachar; *Back Row:* Bryanna Finney, Payton Buffone, Elizabeth Crawford, Emerson Johngarlo, Faith Andree, Karly Keller, Carli Luciano, Jessica Starr, Sophia Trapani, Devan Sonafelt. *Coaches:* Michael Spagnolo and Kelly Antenucci.

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# BOYS' SOCCER

*Front Row:* Drake Borello, Brenden Lott, Philip Harris, Liam Foley, Noah Henry, Caleb George, Ronin Wilczek, Tyler Hobbins, Seth Hall, Cannon Hayes; *Row 2:* Aaron Witt, Travis Rogal, Owen Zimmerman, Campbell Curry, Conor Wolfgang, Maddox Anderson, Nathaniel Coleman, Cole Fluman, Ethan Beck, Ben Townsend; *Back Row:* Coach Sean Arnold, Quentin Wilson, Anders Bordoy, Owen Barr, Ethan Krystek, David (Trey) Curry, Zachary Jordan, Tyler Zoldak, John Wolfe, Alex Plusquellec, Coach David Anderson.

Photo: *A. Mydock* (GR)

## BOYS' SOCCER

9/3 West Allegheny L 0-2
9/4 Upper St. Clair W 3-2
9/7 Freeport W 7-1
9/9 Indiana W 3-0
9/13 Armstrong W 8-0
9/15 Knoch W 5-1
9/18 Hampton L 0-3
9/21 Mars W 4-2
9/23 Highlands W 7-0
9/25 Indiana W 1-0
9/27 Freeport W 6-0
10/2 Armstrong W 10-0
10/5 Knoch W 4-1
10/7 Hampton L 0-2
10/11 Mars W 3-2
10/13 Highland W 7-0
10/19 Hempfield W 8-0

**Playoffs**
10/23 Gateway W 5-1
10/26 Franklin Regional L 4-6

15 - 4 - 0

## GIRLS' SOCCER

9/4 Baldwin W 2-0
9/5 Hempfield W 2-0
9/9 Latrobe L 1-4
9/11 Franklin Regional L 2-3
9/14 Hampton L 0-1
9/16 Armstrong W 3-0
9/18 Burrell L 0-1
9/20 Knoch W 2-0
9/21 Indiana W 2-1
9/23 Gateway L 0-2
9/28 Butler L 2-4
9/30 Franklin Regional L 0-6
10/4 Hampton L 0-1
10/6 Armstrong W 9-0
10/9 Knoch W 6-1
10/12 Gateway W 4-2
10/14 Indiana W 3-1
10/16 Seneca Valley L 0-4

**Playoffs**
10/25 Connellsville W 2-1
10/28 Montour L 0-5

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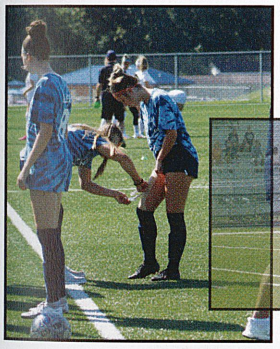
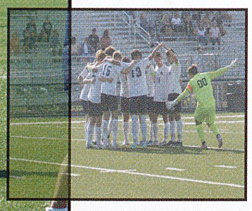


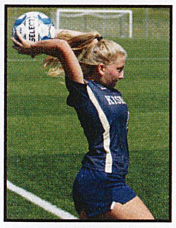
At the newly named Shawn Kuhn Field, Bella Devito (11) puts KT tape on Devan Sonafelt's (11) thigh. Devito said, "Devan had pulled a muscle, and to make sure that it doesn't get worse, you have to address it." Devito missed most of the season as well because of an ankle injury she got practicing.



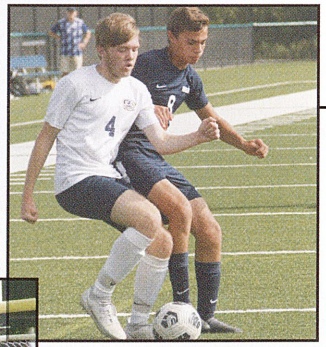
Immediately after their introductions at the match versus Freeport, Maddox Anderson (11) flies in for a grand welcome. Anderson said, "I thought that it would be fun to lighten up the mood inside the huddle by soaring in." The team met arm-in-arm before every match to prep for the game.

### *Bee agressive...*

At the away game against the Freeport Yellowjackets, Nathaniel Coleman (11) steals the ball from Lukas Troutman (12). Coleman said, "As far as agression goes, Freeport is one of the easier teams that we play. I would say that Hampton and Mars were the most aggressive teams we confronted this year." Coleman played center-midfield for the home team and scored eight goals throughout the season and second round of playoffs.

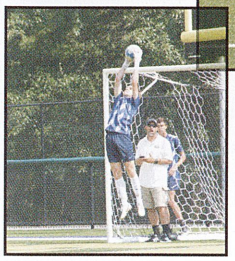


At the home match against Franklin Regional, Linzey Miller (12) throws the ball in to one of her teammates. Miller said, "As outside back, my job is to make sure that I put the ball in a place that will get us a quick goal."



# *Tell me more about what's going on...*

Players delve into photos taken throughout the season.



To win possession of the ball, Cannon Hayes (10) attempts to steal the ball back from Angelo Porco (10) for the team. "Shortly after the play, I brought the ball to the corner and put it across the net to Brenden Lott (10), who put the ball in the net for a goal," Hayes said. He played soccer for 11 years and served as a striker on both varsity and JV.

At the match against Freeport, Campbell Curry (12) leaps high to block a warm up goal shot. Curry said, "I had to fill in for the JV goalie since he got hurt. It was a bit weird playing for the junior varsity team." He hadn't played in the goalie position since the age of ten.

"Before a game, I like to stretch and do a light jog around the field. After that, I usually get a teammate of mine and pass the ball around."

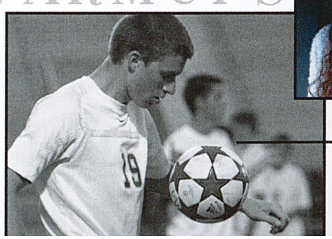
*Karly Keller* (12)

Discuss your best way to prepare for a game.

## WARM-UPS

With agile feet, Ryan Kennedy warms up before a home game against Hempfield.

Photo: 2011 *Campus*, p. 134



# MIRACLE ON *soccer field lifts team*

Story: *K. Bombalski* (12)

## Goalie scores game-winning goal

As the goalkeeper of the team, Maddox Anderson's (11) chief concern required him to keep the ball out of his team's net. He frequently missed out on sharing the glory the offense received when they scored for the squad. However, in a spectacle of skill and power, Anderson scored a goal while playing his position from the center of the field against Mars.

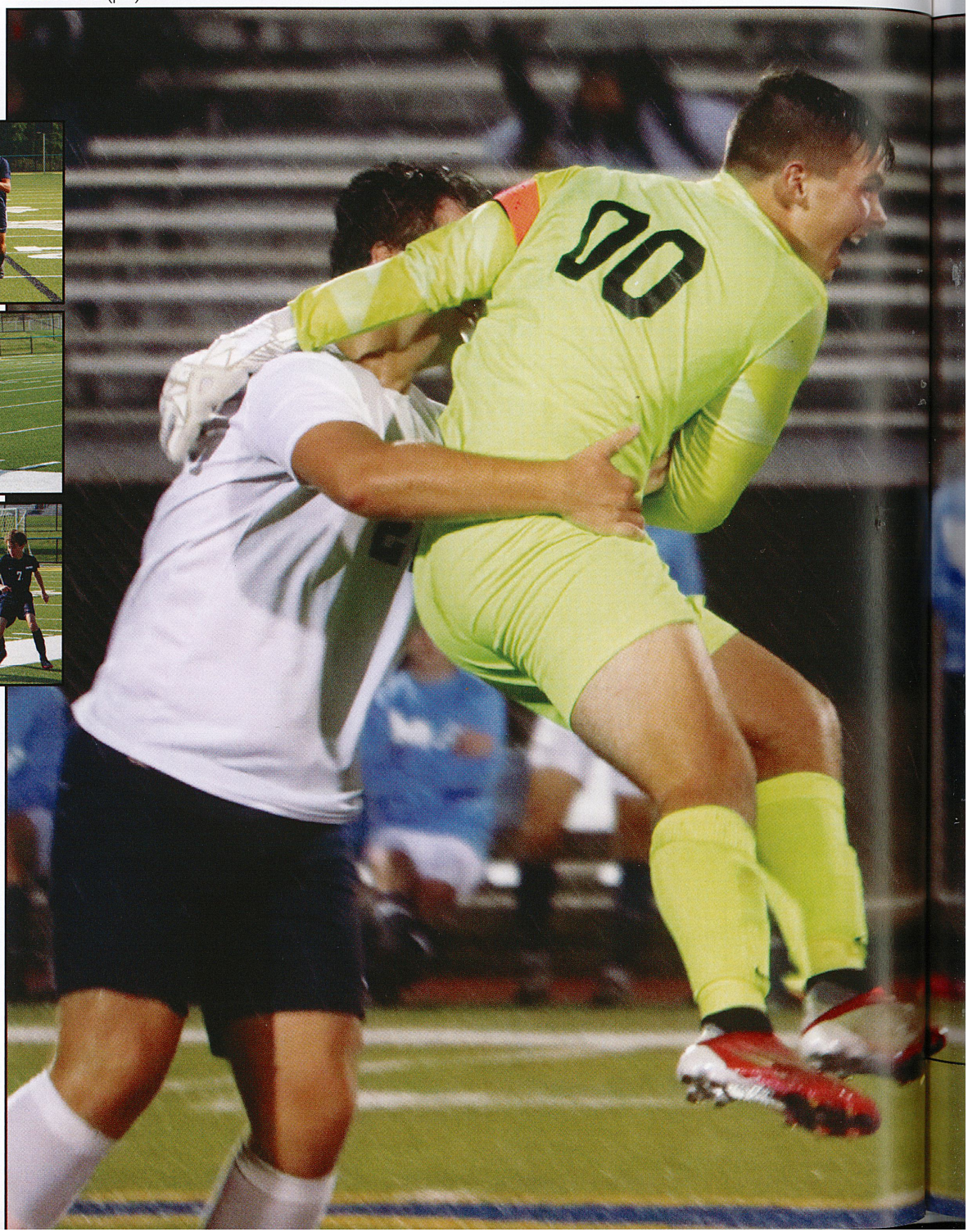
"My first varsity goal was a game winner. A goal is a goal, but this one was special to me. I was so surprised because I didn't even know I scored, but seeing everyone run towards me in celebration was surreal," Anderson said.

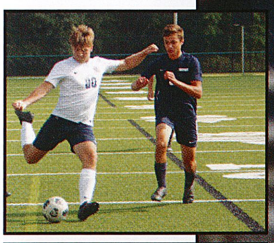
The rest of the group shared in the excitement for their teammate's stunning accomplishment. Zach Jordan (12) recalled the feeling of astonishment everyone felt when the ball rolled into the other team's goal.

"It was the game winning goal, so it was very exciting. We were hyped to see our goalie score, and it gave us a renewed sense of urgency," Jordan said.

No amount of goals scored by a striker or midfielder can compete with a once-in-a-lifetime goal from the goalkeeper. Anderson nearly scored again, but settled for an assist on a redirection by Jordan at the rematch of the Mars game.

Photo: *R. Witt* (par)



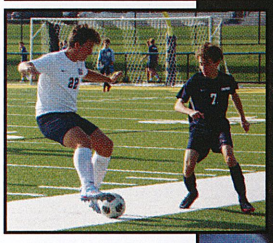


"What I will miss the most is my teammates because they are really fun to be around and make everything enjoyable."
*Quentin Wilson* (11)

Photo: *A. Celo* (11)

"Night games are the best because we get to play under the lights."
*Brenden Lott* (10)

Photo: *A. Celo* (11)



"The weeknight games are the best because we are already awake and prepared, where as on the weekend we have the opportunity to sleep in."
*Zach Jordan* (12)

Photo: *A. Celo* (11)

## BEST *advice*

**"ALWAYS TRY YOUR HARDEST, AND LEAVE EVERYTHING ON THE FIELD."**

*Nathaniel Coleman* (11)

Photo: *A. Celo* (11)

### *Sliding into playoffs...*

Making sure to get the ball, Liam Foley (10) slides in to kick the ball away from his opponent. "So far, the most exciting part of the season was winning the first round of playoffs over Gateway," Foley said. He really enjoyed the game against Highlands since the team coasted to a 7-0 victory.

## JERSEY *numbers*

Players chose their shirt numbers, and they get personal...

"One was my number since I was two or three and played football."
*Noah Henry* (11)

"I chose 16 since I was born on July 16, and my mom was 16 at the time."
*Travis Rogal* (12)

1 16 9 13

"On my cup team, the Allegheny Force, I was #99. Since I couldn't be #99, I chose #9."
*Owen Zimmerman* (12)

"I used to be #3, but that jersey got too small for me, so I switched to #13."
*Ben Townsend* (12)

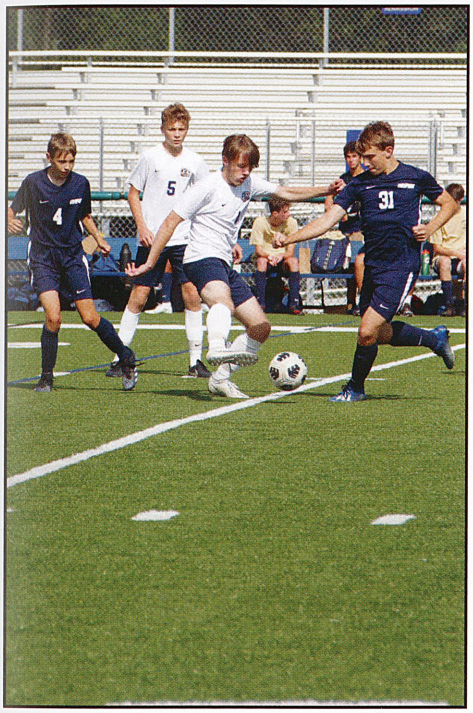


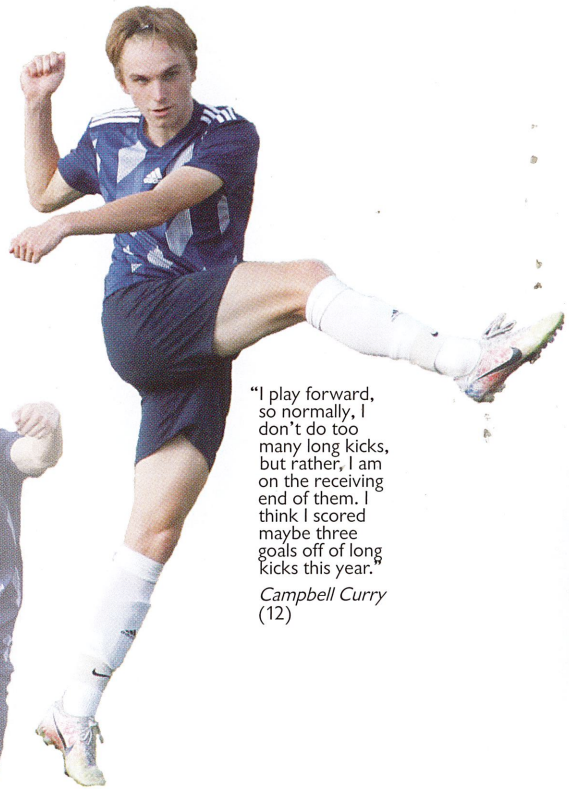
Photo: *A. Celo* (11)

### *Possession is key...*

During the first game of the season, Cannon Hayes (10) challenges Freeport to get possession of the ball. Hayes said, "It was a great year with a great group of guys. I hope to come back next year to play with the returning players." The team tied the wins record of 16 wins in a season and broke the previous scoring record of 87 goals with 89 goals.

## *Cool kicking control*

When kicking a long ball, the goal of the kicker involves leading your intended target to give them a good opportunity to take the ball to the goal. If the kicker locates it perfectly for his/her teammate, the forward who receives it should have a great shot at an easy goal.



"I play forward, so normally, I don't do too many long kicks, but rather, I am on the receiving end of them. I think I scored maybe three goals off of long kicks this year."
*Campbell Curry* (12)

### *Winning mindset...*

Jumping for joy, Maddox Anderson (11) celebrates his game-winning goal with his teammate. "One of the best games of the season was the home game vs Mars because we clinched home field advantage when we won that game," Anderson said. He always listened to music before games to get in the right mindset.

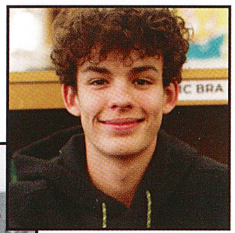
## *anatomy* OF A KICK

Jarid Kovalcik (2004 grad) aims for the net during a tournament. "I sprained my ankle twice in the same season. It was a hard injury to get rid of," Kovalcik said.

Photo: 2004 *Campus*, p. 137

Discuss the worst conditions you've ever played in for a soccer game.

"For my club team, I played in a tournament in Lancaster. It rained the whole game and was about 35 degrees."
*Anders Bordoy* (11)



SP(RAIN)

# GOOD TIPS
## *for even better swings*

What tip did you learn that helped you with your golf swing the most?

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

### *Putting putting first...*

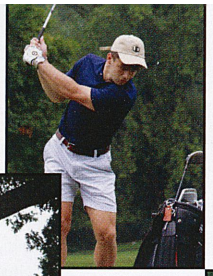
Looking to score a birdie, Victoria Berberich (10) putts her ball from a distance of 20 feet. Berberich said, "Putting ranks as the number one phase of my game. It was something I worked on over the summer." Berberich felt she putted better with her favorite brand of golf ball, Titleist.

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

### *Super superstitious...*

While warming up prior to teeing off, Kolin Shaffer (12) goes through his routine that he must complete before he hits the ball. "When I go to tee off, I step back from the ball, spin my club twice, take three practice swings and then hit the ball. I started this routine when I was really young," Shaffer said. He added that the last time he neglected his routine, he totally whiffed on the ball.

"Don't squeeze the club too tight because you're liable to lose control of the direction of your shot."
*Enzo Morlacci* (12)



"Don't hit the ball too hard. It causes you to move too much which will lead to losing control of your drive."
*Josh Schrader* (12)

"On my backswing, take it back slower and power through as I bring the club down."
*Nina Konieczny* (10)

"It's all in the hips. If you rotate your hips more, you generate more power."
*Laken Robshaw* (11)

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

# BEST *advice*

**"KEEP YOUR EYE ON THE BALL AND ALWAYS FOLLOW THROUGH ON YOUR SWING."**

*Jack Konieczny* (12)

*Chipping in for the win...*

As Campbell Curry (12) chips onto the green, he assesses whether his shot will get him near the hole. Curry said, "When I chip, on average, I can get it within 40 feet of the hole." Curry represented the team at the WPIAL Individual Semifinals.

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## Keep your KNEES

Part of the allure of golfing involves strategizing, the ability to read a green, and hitting the ball with the appropriate amount of power. Geno Gallippi (12) and Jason Buczak (10) found themselves in a situation where they helped each other on the putting green. They discussed how they work through the situation.

Gallippi said, "So I get behind the ball, and I get down to the height of the ball. I look and see which way the green is sloping. Then, I place my ball in whatever way that I am going to hit it."

Buczak said, "It's helpful to discuss a green's slope with a teammate and see it through his eyes. I really like the teamwork aspect of that and trusting others."

Buczak liked learning from Gallippi since this represented Gallippi's last year on the golf team.

# KEEP IT STRAIGHT, *and keep it real*

*Shooting for a birdie...*

While on the green, Briannon Miller (11) eyes up her putt. "I usually get the ball close to the hole on my second putt. It usually takes me two to three putts," Miller said. She achieved ten birdies out on the course.

*Deep concentration...*

To sink the ball on hole #1 at the Willowbrook Country Club golf course in Apollo, PA, Brady Rametta (11) eyes up the shot. Rametta said, "I was lining up the putt to get the ball perfectly in the hole." He noted that hole #3 gave him the most trouble on the course.

Story: *A. Carion* (11)

### Students face frustration when shots don't go their way

Golf required precision, concentration, and focus—staying focused on the drive, concentrating while chipping, and precision during putting all described the many facets of the sport. Consistency with every swing represented the keys to the game, but many considered golf the most inconsistent sport. Frustration set in when one swung at the ball, and it landed somewhere other than the intended target.

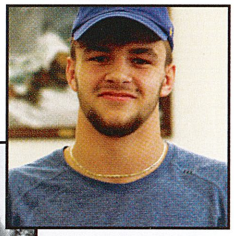
Nina Konieczny (10) said, "It is very easy to start getting frustrated at myself if I hit a bad shot or have a bad hole. As long as I continue to tell myself to just try and do better next shot or hole, I normally end up doing better."

In agreement with Konieczny, Laken Robshaw (11) said, "My biggest challenge is keeping a good mindset when I hit a bad ball. But, I like when the course is hard because the ball rolls better and it makes my long game easier."

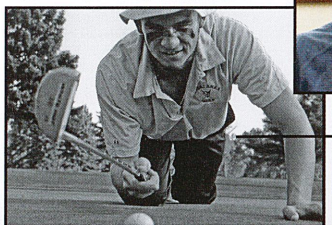
## Describe the best golf hole you've ever played.

"On hole #9, a par 5, at the Links at Spring Church, I reached the green in three shots, put it on the green six feet from the hole, and one-putted for a birdie."

*Enzo Morlacci* (12)



## THE GREEN



On the third hole, Tim Collins gets up close as he reads the green. "I love being on the golf team with all my friends. The guys help me become a better player and also a better employee for my job," Collins said.

Photo: 2016 *Campus*, p. 129

## GIRLS' GOLF

*Front Row:* Briannon Miller, Victoria Berberich, Laken Robshaw; *Not Pictured:* Nina Konieczny.

## BOYS' JV GOLF

*Front Row:* Justin Gross, Dylan Matenkosky, Caden Witt, Dimitri Spagnola, Jacob Walker, Trey Roberts, Joseph DiNinno, Dakota Wilson; *Back Row:* Jacob Kraus, Seth Hall, Ryan Ridenour, Matthew Behrik, Vionno Pugliese, Tyler Kush; *Not pictured:* Liam Patton, Luke Patton, Noah Thimons.

## BOYS' GOLF

8/20 Butler L 227-211
8/23 Freeport W 246-249
8/30 Burrell W 239-275
9/1 Knoch L 223-219
9/2 Fox Chapel L 232-180
9/3 Shady Side Ac. L 236-206
9/7 Hampton L 246-225
9/8 Highlands W 216-260
9/13 Freeport W 218-227
9/16 Butler L 231-200
9/17 Knoch L 223-236
9/21 Shady Side Ac. L 224-191
9/22 Fox Chapel L 231-200
9/23 Hampton L 236-216
9/29 Highlands W 220-280

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## GIRLS' GOLF

8/20 Ligonier Val. W 244-255
8/23 Indiana L 232-216
8/27 Shaler L 250-245
9/2 Ligonier Valley L 235-217
9/8 Armstrong L 219-217
9/10 Butler L 230-187
9/14 Fox Chapel L 230-175
9/14 Butler L 230-229
9/17 Shady Side Ac. L 235-227
9/23 Armstrong L 233-217
9/27 Shady Side Ac. L 238-211

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## BOYS' VARSITY GOLF

*Front Row:* Jack Konieczny, Josh Schrader, Enzo Morlacci, Matt Drahos; *Row 2:* Jason Buczak, Tyler King; *Back Row:* Brady Rametta, Geno Gallippi, Kolin Shaffer, Garrett Fryar, Campbell Curry.

*Front Row:* Sabrina Wilson, Lucia Giordano, Ava Hutchinson; *Row 2:* Emily Smith, Ambur Orowitz, Makenna MacLean, Lindsay Bush; *Back Row:* Katelyn Bombalski, Savannah Renwick, Ava Vigna, Chloe Isanhart, Ella McBryde, Asya Welch, Cameran Thompson.

## GIRLS'TENNIS

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*Front Row:* Ethan Beck, Calder Gee, Nathaniel Coleman, Timothy Roberts; *Back Row:* Coach Trent Goerk, Zachary Jordan, Anders Bordoy, Trey Curry, Jackson Newell, Kody Cessna, Coach Harry Welch. *Not Pictured:* Kamryn Daugherty.

## BOYS' TENNIS

Finishing third in the section, Anthony Calderone had to approach the net to retrieve the ball. Coach Lou Santia guided the team.

Photo: 1979 *Campus*, p. 108

## GIRLS' TENNIS

8/26 Butler L 1-4
8/30 Franklin Regional L 0-5
9/2 Norwin L 0-5
9/7 Hempfield L 1-4
9/9 Latrobe L 0-5
9/13 Penn Trafford L 2-3
9/20 Gateway W 5-0
9/22 Butler L 1-4
9/27 Connellsville W 4-1
9/28 Burrell L 2-3
10/4 Armstrong W 4-1

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## BOYS' TENNIS

3/14 Greensburg Salem (home)
3/15 Knoch (away)
3/17 Franklin Regional (away)
3/18 Butler Area (away)
3/21 Hempfield (away)
3/22 Altoona Area (home)
3/23 Penn Trafford (home)
3/25 Highlands (home)
3/28 Norwin (away)
3/29 Valley (home)
3/30 Greater Latrobe (home)
4/5 Gateway (away)
4/11 Franklin Regional (home)
4/14 Connellsville Area (away)
4/15 Knoch (home)
4/21 Burrell (away)
4/22 Valley (away)
4/25 Butler Area (home)

BEST *advice*

"GO OUT OF YOUR COMFORT ZONE, AND MEET NEW PEOPLE. DON'T LET YOUR NERVES HOLD YOU BACK."

*SAVANNAH RENWICK (11)*

Which team that you play aggrivates you the most?

"I would definitely say Franklin Regional. They're just so good. What's annoying is that they know that they're good."

*Ava Hutchinson* (10)

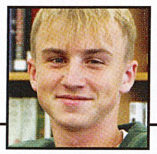
FOR LOVE

# SO MANY WAYS
## to get the ball across

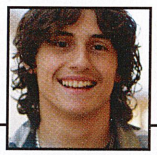
Discuss your serving technique.

"I like to serve the ball to the back of the box and hit it as hard as I can."
*Ava Hutchinson* (10)

"I try to place my serve close to the doubles' line."
*Calder Gee* (20)



"I want to get in the box on my first serve with some speed on it."
*Trey Curry* (11)



"I try to get the serve as far back in the serve box as possible."
*Kamryn Daugherty* (12)

"I want to make sure I get the ball into the box and as close to the corner as possible."
*Lindsay Bush* (10)

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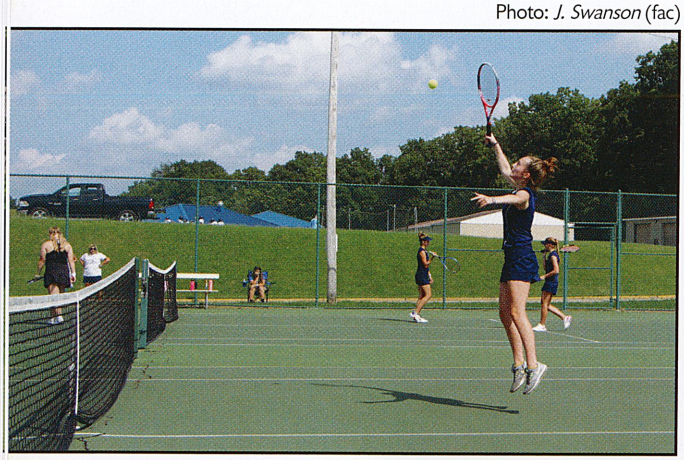
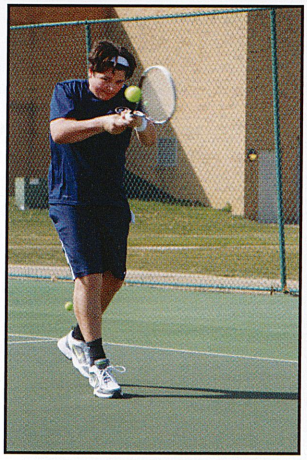


### Jumping for the point...

While leaping in the air, Asya Welch (11) makes a valiant effort at a volley. Welch said, "I love tennis. It's a lot more chill than any other Kiski sport." Welch attended tennis camps to improve her skills.



### Go for the gold...

As Jackson Newell (11) winds up for a two-handed backhand, he hits the ball down the line to win the point. "I went on to beat my opponent from Plum 6-3, 6-2," Newell said. He played number one singles throughout the season.

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# REA

## beauty OF THE SERVE

*Grace Hill* (11)

### Not picture perfect...

During her first match of the year, Sabrina Wilson (11) returns the serve from her opponent. Wilson said, "Since it was early in the season, my form was a little off at times." Wilson started playing tennis her freshman year.

### Strike a balance...

Stretching to reach the ball, Jack Coleman (11) tries to get his forehand past his opponent. "Tennis is a lot of fun, but I focus more on soccer. I find tennis to be very relaxing," Coleman said. He first picked up a racket his freshman year.

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fa

### Forehand power...

As Ambur Orowitz (10) focuses on the incoming shot, she readies her forehand shot that she prefers to use rather than her backhand. Orowitz said, "I started playing tennis in second grade, and I really like the competition at #1 singles." She found time to juggle marching band and tennis and admitted it put a lot on her plate.

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

# DY TO TAKE

## over the reigns

### Rising stars look to replace exiting seniors

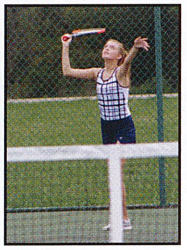
Story: *K. Bombalski* (12)

In all high school sports, seniors hold the position of providing leadership to the rest of the team. The loss of these crucial leaders has the possibility of damaging the future success of a team. At the end of the girls fall tennis season, the team lost two seniors. Now, the underclassmen needed to fill that void.

Grace Hill (11) had conflicting feelings on losing the current seniors. "I'm really excited to be able to help the team play our best next season, but I'm going to miss the current seniors. They were there when I first started, and it's going to be sad to say goodbye," Hill said.

Lindsay Bush (10) began playing tennis five years ago and felt ready to take charge on the team. "I am very excited to help lead the team next year. I think we have a lot of promising players, and I can't wait to see how next season turns out," Bush said.

The boys' team made that transition a couple of years ago. Ethan Beck's (11) confidence brimmed when he said, "We're definitely going to make the playoffs this coming spring."



### Senior starters...

With the graduation of Darian Sonafelt (2021 grad) and Nicole Gross (2021 grad), many younger players received the opportunity to earn a starting position in the tennis team's lineup.

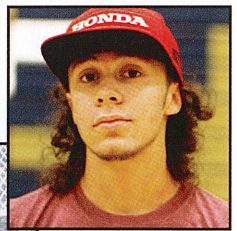
Mike Divorznak extends for the ball.

Photo: 1994 *Campus*, p. 110

Of all the racket sports, which one do you enjoy playing the most?

"My favorite is tennis, because I get to release my rage."

*Alexander Smouse* (11)



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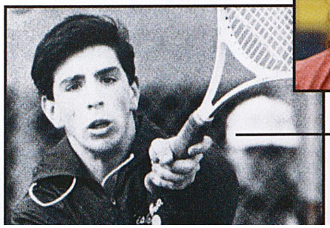


# SHOUT IT OUT

## cheer tryouts have begun

What does it take to make cheer squad?

Story: *G. Kraus* (11)

A cheerleader's main purpose involved hyping up the student section at football games, but how did they decide who got on varsity or who earned cheer captain? Tryouts for the cheerleaders spanned a four-day process that consisted of learning a dance, two cheers, and a chant. They then performed in front of a panel of judges to determine whether they made the varsity squad, junior varsity, or missed the cut altogether.

Emily Sarti (9) faced some unexpected challenges when it came to trying out.

Sarti said, "The process can be really tiring, but it really just depends on the person. The toughest part for me was getting up early in order to get to tryouts on time."

Varsity Captain Olivia Croney (12) had a different experience trying out for cheer.

Croney said, "There is much more pressure when trying out for captain. I had to try out all on my own as compared to having other girls with me. I also had to come up with my own cheer to perform in front of judges. That was really stressful."

Photo: *F. Boyle* (12)

"I just loved the overall experience, having a great team, and making memories. I'm going to miss the spotlight when I do back handsprings corner to corner."

*Nyasia Chambers* (12)

"Cheering at football games and going to games was what I liked most about being a senior cheerleader. I'll definitely miss all the bonds I created with the team."

*Chloe Arbaugh* (12)

"It's hard to describe my emotions for cheer, especially since I've been doing it for so long. Cheer has given me an outlet for new friendships as well as opportunities."

*Olivia Croney* (12)

## SO LONG, seniors

## BEST advice

**"WE'RE NOT JUST TEAMMATES, WE'RE A FAMILY WHO LOVES AND SUPPORTS EACH OTHER."**

*Isabella Bendtsen* (10)

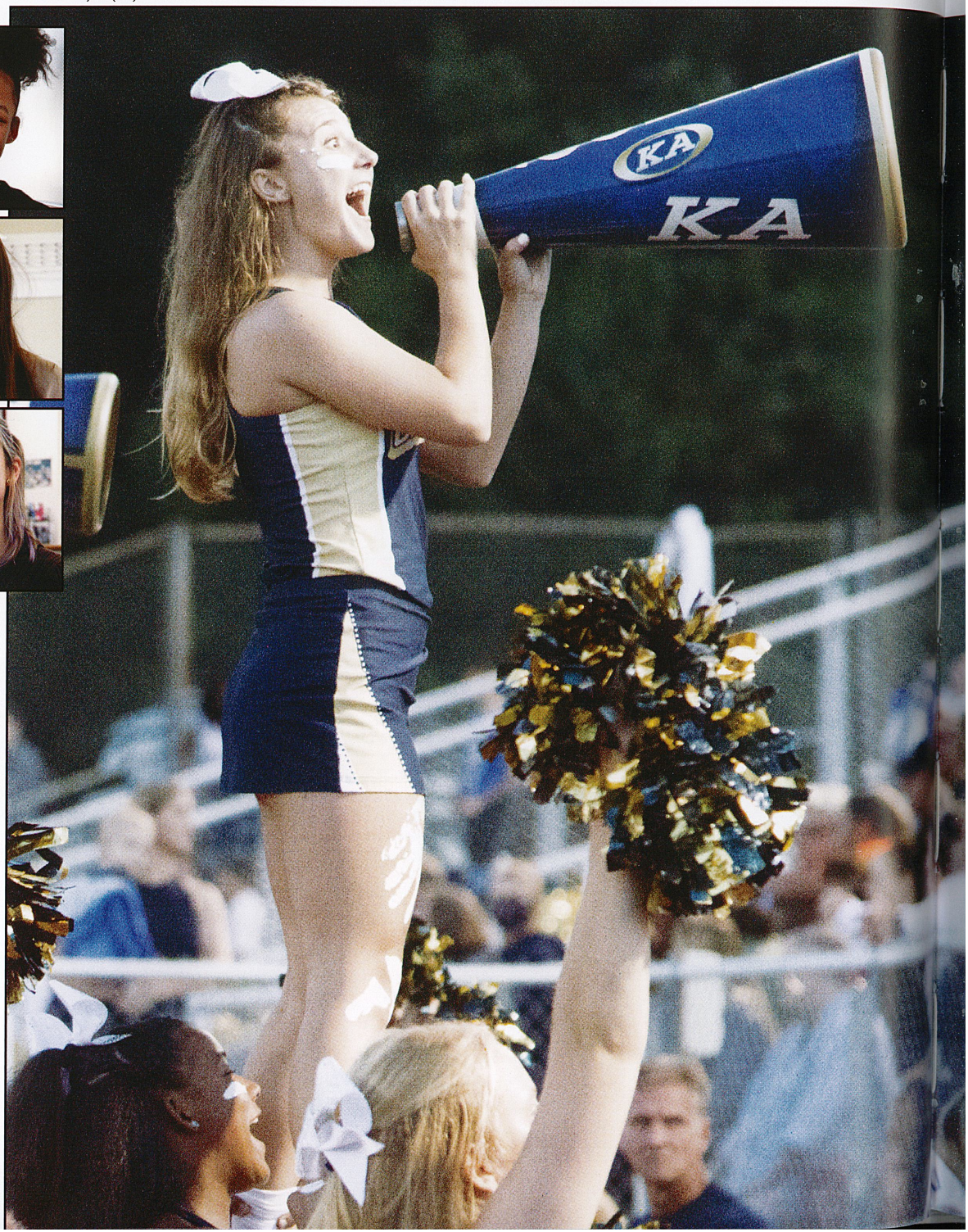


Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

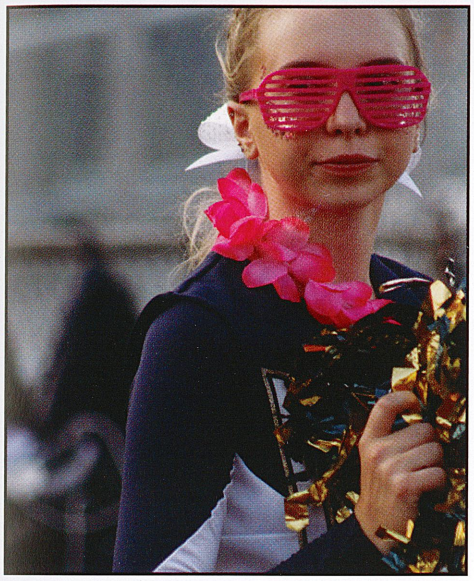
### *Head over heels...*

During a break in the action at a basketball game, Gianna Clayton (12) helps Jocelyn Spencer (12) to flip Natalie Bollinger (12). Clayton said, "Flying, in general, is so much fun. Being able to help with a stunt is a great feeling." Clayton first started getting flipped in stunts in middle school.

# SHARP *dressed locker*

Prior to the start of the season, Lea Ross (12) decorates Brock Wilkins' (12) locker for his senior season. Ross said, "Making the football lockers look nice for the senior football players was actually very fun." Ross had considerations about trying out for a cheer squad in college, with Duquesne and Pitt as her top two choices for her future academic endeavors.

Photo: *K. Suman* (11)



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### *Not buying it...*

After a play does not go the Cavalier way, Natalie Bollinger (12) gives a look of disdain at the referees. "Cheering can be exhausting at times, but overall, it's a very fun sport with amazing experiences. Still, sometimes the refs are blind," Bollinger said. She became adept at dance and cheer when she started taking dance lessons at the age of four at *A Step Above Dance Academy*.

### *Flipped...*

In the middle of a timeout, Faith Cook (12) wows the crowd with a series of flips. Cook said, "I enjoy tumbling because it makes me feel powerful. I get a rush of adrenaline before each pass." Growing up a peppy person, Cook knew that doing cheer fit her personality more than any other sport.

### *Let's go CAVS...*

While lifted off the ground, Jocelyn Spencer (12) uses her megaphone to hype up the crowd. Spencer said, "Cheering underneath the Friday night lights brings out the happy in everyone. You can interact with the crowd, parents, and players. Spencer's future plans included a degree from Clarion University, majoring in physical therapy.

THE DISMOUNT

THE EXECUTION

THE PLANT

THE ENTRY

*Faith Cook* (12)

# *beauty* OF THE *TUMBLE*

Photos: *J. Swanson* (fac)

"We were doing a lib extension. Summer Fairman was connected to Jocelyn Spencer. Jocelyn fell, took Summer with her, and Summer landed on her head. It happened too fast for me to react in time."

*Mateya Maldonado* (11)

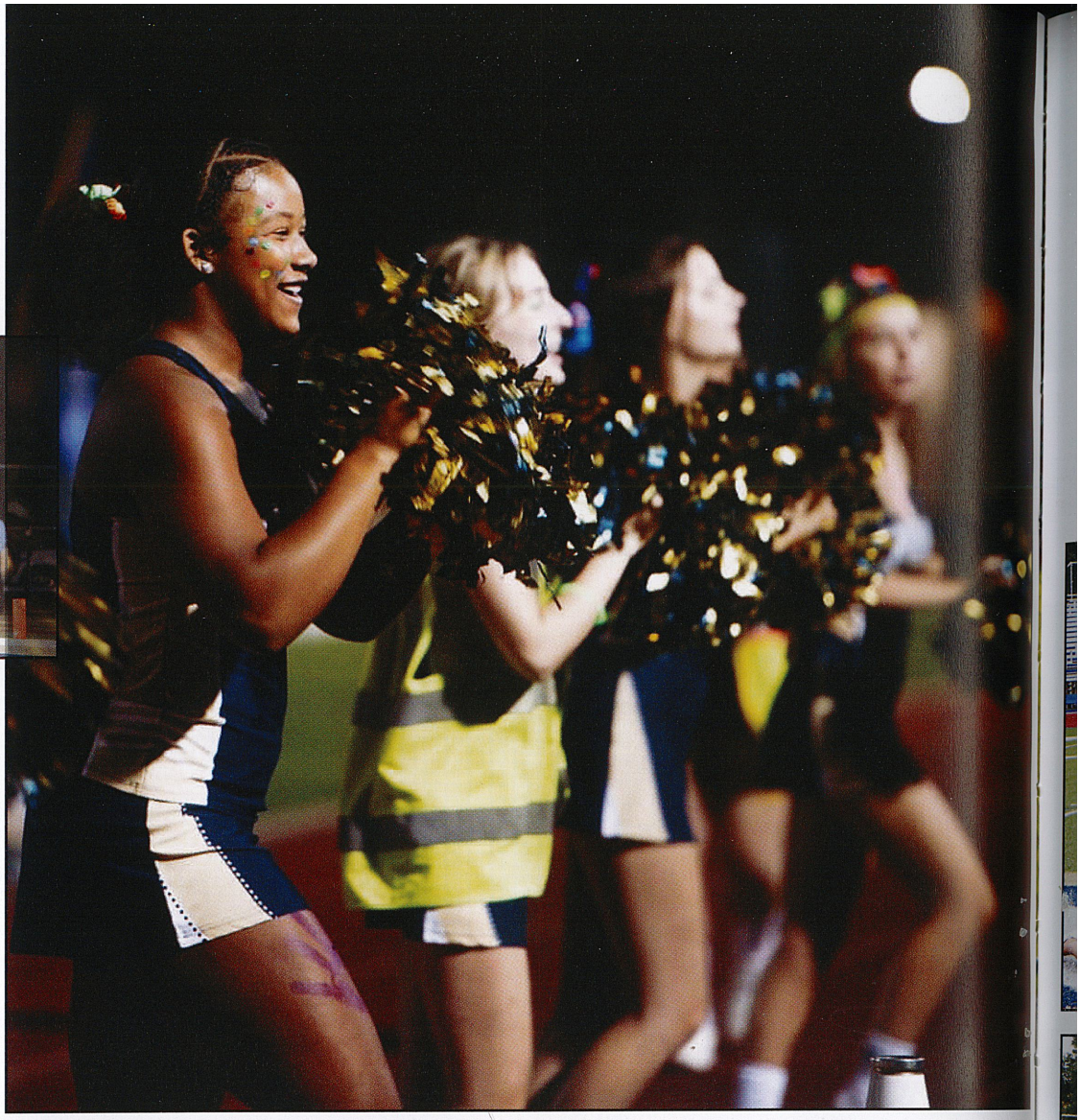
Describe a cheer move that went wrong.

During the Homecoming Parade in Vandergrift, Andrea Montali (1981 grad) holds up her half of the KA cutout.

Photo: 1979 *Campus*, p. 63

### *Take a tumble...*

Adorned in neon accessories, seniors Nyasia Chambers, Karissa Will, Chloe Arbaugh, and Natalie Bollinger cheer on their fellow teammates as they tumble across the track. Bollinger said, "Even though most of the squad does back handsprings and back tucks, I stick to forward rolls." The girls perform their tumbles usually during timeouts.



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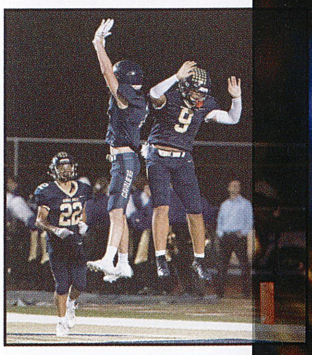
### *Up in arms...*

Just after a score against Connellsville, Calvin Heinle (12) and Logan Johnson (12) celebrate Johnson's rushing touchdown. Heinle said, "LJ and I have played football together for 10 years. We like to commemorate each other's accomplishments." The home team won by a score of 41-7.



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## FOOTBALL

8/27 Butler W 21-7
9/3 Franklin Regional W 24-14
9/10 Latrobe W 35-27
9/17 Connellsville W 41-7
9/24 West Allegheny W 7-0
10/1 North Hills L 10-14
10/8 Fox Chapel L 21-35
10/15 Shaler W 42-27
10/22 Pine Richland L 27-33
10/29 Penn Hills L 22-42

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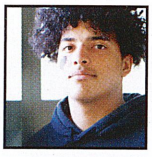
Photo: *N. Shumaker* (Nikkala Anne Photography)

## FOOTBALL

*Front Row:* Edward Coleman, Samuel Coleman, Brandon Lawhorn Moore, Brayden Dunmire, Mathew Hilty, Matt Clinger, Holden Burkette, Logan Johnson, Carter Dilts, Dylan Hutcherson, Nicholas Boylstein, Chad Hepler, Johnathan Drahos, Brock Wilkins; *Row 2:* Connor Flemm, Braden Mika, Jack Crider, Benjamin Pencak, Caleb Shultz, Dominic DiNinno, Michael Carrarini, Cody Dykes, Calvin Heinle, LeBryn Smith, Maxine Crosby, Luke Emmerling, Davien Pope, Deshaun McBryde, Jacob Bucci; *Row 3:* Connor Jordan, Donald Hall, Landon Kucic, Eli Shultz, Ryder Ekas, Carson Heinle, Vincent Gray, Noah Faber, Mason Caldwell, Isaiah Gonzalez, Benjamin Young, Brennan Moore, Xavior Ford, TJ Phelps, Tavian Wilson; *Row 4:* Dalton Custer, Tyler Kubisa, Nathan Uncapher, Ryan Franklin, Harry Harshman, James Grimm, Adam Large, Zavyaire Lackie, Cameron Murphy, Matthew Vigna; *Back Row:* Coach Jordan Thompson, Coach Dan Wilkins, Coach John Bouchat, Coach Jimmy Joe Collins, Coach Aiden Albert, Head Coach Sam Albert, Coach Aaron Albert, Coach Cameron Mika, Coach Roger Crider, Coach James McKenzie, Coach Brian Nicholas; *Not Pictured:* Andrew Westcoat.

"Since I'm on the JV squad, our games usually happen on Saturday mornings. We have our scarves, headbands, gloves, and warmup jackets."

*Bella Bendtsen* (10)



"Our last game against the Penn Hills Indians was cold, rainy, wet, and windy. The only thing you can do is try to keep moving. That gets the blood flowing."

*DeShaun McBryde* (12)

"The game we had against Pine Richland was miserable. It was rainy, windy, and cold. We spent the whole game dancing with their cheerleaders to keep warm."

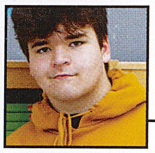
*Caylie Tursky* (10)

"I usually do some jumping jacks if I'm standing on the sidelines. Otherwise, playing the game usually takes care of that pretty good."

*Cameron Murphy* (9)

"I put hand warmers on the inside of my gloves, we kind of just dance around to keep moving, and we get hot chocolate. Who doesn't like that?"

*Emily Sarti* (9)



"I really don't get cold at the games, especially if I'm actually on the field a lot. Otherwise, I rely on my gloves, sleeves, and my hand warmer."

*Ryan Franklin* (9)

## somebody heat me up

Discuss your best way to stay warm at a cold, rainy game.

## VARSITY CHEER

*Front Row:* Gianna Clayton, Natalie Bollinger, Lea Ross, Olivia Croney, Jocelyn Spencer, Karissa Will, Abbigail Mason, Nina Summerhill; *Row 2:* Olivia Eremic, Miranda Weightman, Faith Cook, Summer Fairman, Nyasia Chambers, Madisyn Coulter, Mateya Maldonado; *Back Row:* Chloe Arbaugh, Allison Zdobinski, Faith Skurko, Amanda Trybus, Kaitlyn Shaw, Mackenzie Knapp, Kamryn Suman, Emma Mellinger.

## JV CHEER

*Front Row:* Baylee Davis, Giana Racioppo, Jordyn Lubik, Sarah Johnson, Isabella Bendtsen, Caleigh Graham, Gracie Guido, Emily Sarti; *Row 2:* Sydney Stewart, Ava Wilson, Sydney Euchler, Maddie Schohn, Chloe Isanhart, Abbey Howes, Lily Junod, Skyler Wahl; *Back Row:* Lauren Hilliard, Madison Slomka, Alianna Booker, Makenna MacLean, Alyssa Kamer, Caylie Tursky; *Not Pictured:* Sylvia Chin.

Photos: *N. Shumaker* (Nikkala Anne Photography)

Photo: *A. Wilkins* (par)

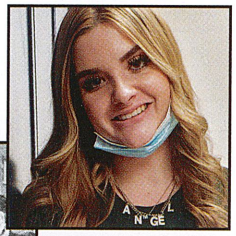
### Comeback Kids...

Carefully listening to Brock Wilkins' (12) cadence, center Braden Mika (11) scans Shaler's defense for a possible blitz. Mika said, "Of all the games we played, this one had the best momentum change of the year." After a close halftime score, the team rallied together for an ambitious second half that ended in a 42-27 victory.

Any advice for future cheerleaders who have to march in parades?

"I would say to be prepared for any kind of weather, make sure you smile and look happy, and make sure you watch spacing so you all look great."

*Madisyn Coulter* (12)



## PARADES

Just prior to the Homecoming Game, members of the varsity cheering squad parade through downtown Vandergrift on a Friday night.

Photo: 1979 *Campus*, p. 163

# ALL FOR ONE, *and one for all*

Discuss your thoughts about being a part of a team.

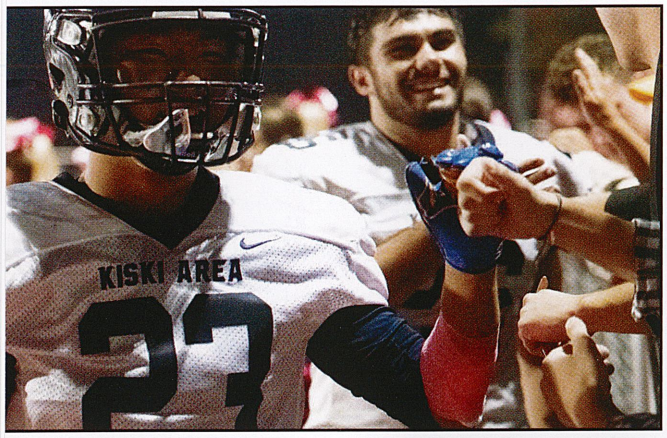



Photo: *A. Wilkins* (par)

*Celebrate good times...*

After the win over Shaler, Luke Emmerling (11) high fives the student section on his way to the locker room. Emmerling said, "I felt pure joy because we just came off of a two-game losing streak against North Hills and Fox Chapel." Due to his and the team's impressive hits and tackles, Emmerling enjoyed celebrating the win with the fans who made the trek to Shaler's home field.

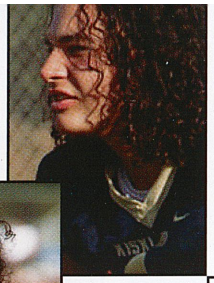
*Get out of the way...*

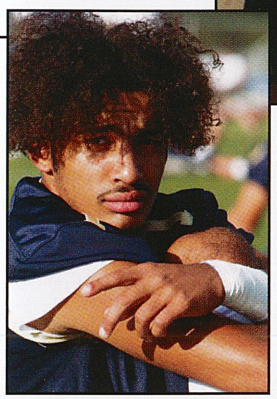
Barrelling in for a touchdown against Connellsville, Logan Johnson (12) makes sure the defender does not deny him. Johnson said, "When I score for the football team, I get so turnt because the fans cheer so loudly." Besides quarterback, Johnson logged time on defense as a safety.

Photo: *A. Wilkins* (par)

"As captain, I take responsibility for the team and have to be a great leader by example. I make sure I hold people accountable."

*Brayden Dunmire* (12)



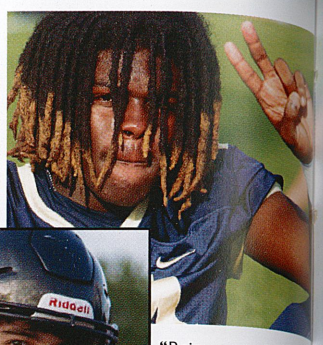


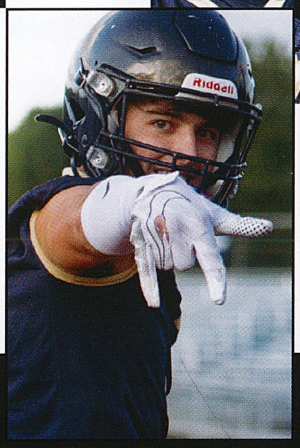
"Being a sophomore playing on the varsity team, I have a lot of role models that I'm able to look up to."

*Isaiah Gonzalez* (10)

"The team made me feel comfortable being here when I moved from Ohio."

*TJ Phelps* (10)






"Being part of a team makes me feel really good about myself, and since we have all been playing with each other since we were kids, we all have a good bond and work together."

*Calvin Heinle* (12)

Photo: *A. Wilkins* (par)

# BEST *advice*

**"GO ONE HUNDRED PERCENT AT PRACTICE SO THAT IT WILL TRANSLATE TO THE GAME."**

*Dominic DiNinno* (11)

Photo: *A. Wilkins* (par)

*Can't stop, won't stop...*

As he drags the West Allegheny defender with him, Brock Wilkins scores the only touchdown of the game. Wilkins said, "I was really tired, but the team and I were so excited when I scored that touchdown." Wilkins took the handoff and scored the 37-yard touchdown with about seven minutes left in the contest.

Kiski Kick-Off Classic
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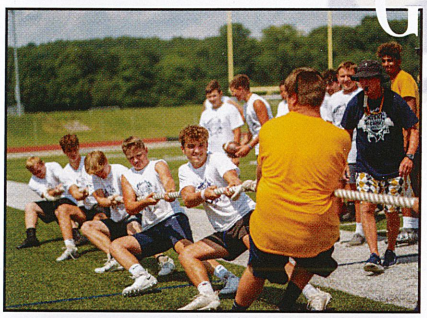


## GET to know the TEAM

*Tug of war...*

"I figured our tug of war match against the freshmen would go pretty easy and it did. We crushed them."

*Jack Crider* (11)

*Water bonds...*

"The kick off was a great idea because it bonded the cheerleaders and football players. I volunteered to be in the dunk tank. It was really refreshing after cheering in the hot sun for three hours."

*Emma Mellinger* (11)

*Motivation...*

"I think the guys have done a great job of coming together. I like to think I helped motivate them, but can't take credit for their hard work."

*Tre Tipton* (University of Pittsburgh student)

Photo: *A. Wilkins* (par)

# BEST SEASON

## start since Reagan years

Story: *M. Knapp* (12)

*After a great seven...*

After a successful scoring drive, Cody Dykes (12) kicks off to the Franklin Regional Panthers. "Kicking for the team is a great experience because not only do I get to help out a team, but if I do my job right, all of the fans cheering makes it really fun," Dykes said. Dykes started kicking his freshman year and started playing soccer at the age of three.

*Student-athlete...*

While watching the offense make a great play, Brandon Lawhorn Moore (12) displays a look of amazement at what he just saw. Lawhorn Moore said, "As much as I love football, I know that education is more important than football because that education will always be there for you." Lawhorn Moore received offers to continue playing football from ten schools including the University of Toledo and Old Dominion University.

### 5-0 start propels team to new heights

The football team had an amazing run this season. With their initial record of 5-0, the team hit an all time high.

"It felt great to go 5-0 and do something that hasn't been done in a long time. The undefeated start really showed us what we were capable of doing and the team we had this year," Brayden Dunmire (12) said.

The wins helped to show the team how commitment and effort could pay off. It also helped them develop confidence and a higher level of camaraderie. The different and well thought-out strategies each week enabled them to come out on top.

"Our strategy was really only to hit harder than any other team, and we did that every week; it didn't matter who it was," Brandon Lawhorn Moore (12) said. Everyone could feel the excitement surrounding the team.

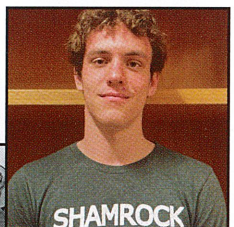
Calvin Heinle said, "Our team has been playing together since we were 10. I think it was finally our time. We've been working for a while."

The boys' season opening of 5-0 hasn't happened since 1986, 35 years. Just missing the playoffs with a heart-breaking 42-22 loss to Penn Hills Indians, the boys set a new and long-awaited standard for the next few years.

What do you think about the football team's record?

"I think that the Cavaliers are doing awesome this year; they are pushing themselves and making great progress."

*Collin Martin* (12)




ON THE WIN

Screaming with excitement, Peyton McCann and his teammates revel in their victory. "We were all so hyped after a big play that went in our favor," McCann said.

Photo: 2018 *Campus*, p. 124

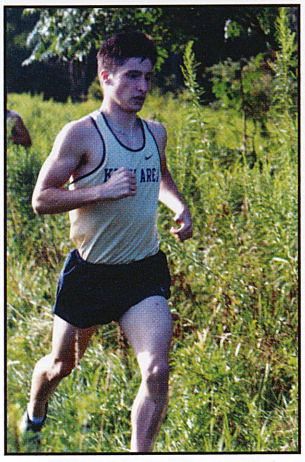
1) Josette Plazio (12) - "I am not a big fan of carbs."
2) Gianna Wray (9) - "I am not picky; any pasta is good."
3) Olivia Schrag (11) - "Pasta... just pasta."
4) Payton Sullivan (12) - "Plain bagel with a lot of cream cheese."
5) Taylor Roland (9) - "I usually eat chicken noodle soup."
6) Reilly Sullivan (10) - "A protein shake with avocado toast."
7) Ellie Hecker (10) - "I really like spaghetti the night before or a granola bar the day of."

# BEST CARB
## *meal before a race*

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

### *Fuel for success...*

Staying at the front of the pack, Antonio Giordano (12) relies on his breakfast to help him push to the end of the race. Giordano said, "I always eat two bananas before racing so that I don't get cramps." Giordano enjoyed doing sets of 10-12 400m waterfalls at practice.



### *Keep trucking along...*

Making his way through the course, Phillip Miller (12) tries to keep his mind clear while he runs. "I don't think about much, I just try not to think about my shin splints," said Miller. White Oak became Phillip's favorite because of the fast speed.

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# BEST *advice*

**"PUSH THROUGH THE PAIN. YOU ARE MUCH STRONGER THAN YOU THINK YOU ARE."**

*Lizeth Sesmas* (12)

### *Happy circle...*

Prior to the first race of the year, the entire team gathers together in their "Happy Circle." Olivia Schrag (11) said, "We get together before each race and offer words of encouragement to each other." Schrag indicated that she did not know the origin of this ritual since the team had started this prior to her freshman year.

### *Keep the streak alive...*

Pushing through to the end of the race, Josette Plazio (12) keeps a clear mind so she doesn't overthink her race. "I go into races with no strategy except to finish because I have finished all my races. So, I have got to keep that streak going," Plazio said. She most enjoyed building relationships with her teammates of whom she described as her second family.

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

*Off with a bang...*

Taking off from the start line, Justin Tucker (9) focuses on his next move in the race. "When I run, I focus on my strategy for the race," Tucker said. Races through the woods with nice shade and scenery represented the types of courses Tucker enjoyed the most.

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

# JUMP START *on the season*

## Runners credit drills for broken records/wins

Story: *S. Zanotti* (11)

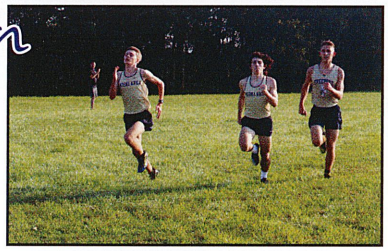
Prodigy Eliza Miller (10) brought home spectacular wins at three out of her first four meets. Apart from that, she also broke two records in that same time frame.

"The first record I broke this season was at Altoona, and the other was at sectionals," Miller said. "These wins don't always come easy though."

However, those wins and broken records resulted from regimented practices, all structured to improve times and endurance. Justin Tucker (10) explained some of the drills that the team completed.

"One regular workout that we do is mile repeats. This is where we run a mile at a certain time, get a small break, and then do the next mile at a certain time," Tucker said. "I feel that mile repeats help me build up my speed and endurance. Most importantly, it helps me to know that when it gets difficult during a race, I can always push through, thanks to all of the tough workouts that I have done."

Tucker and the rest of the boys' team placed second at the IUP invitational. "Though we didn't win, I know that all of our drills helped us perform as well as we did. Practice makes perfect," Tucker said.



*Dig deep...*

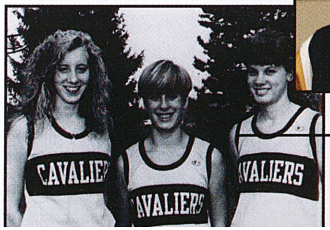
Pushing himself to his limits, Paul Roberts (10) runs as fast as he can to stay in the lead. "When I am running, I keep a goal in my mind and try my best to reach it," said Roberts.

"I would rather do marching band because cross country is boring."

*Alec Tucker* (9)

What would you rather do than CC and why?

ON THE RUN



Then senior Missy Baustert (left), pictured with two other seniors, helped her team acheive a perfect 7-0 season. Mrs. Missy Schaeffer came back to Kiski to teach in the Math Department.

Photo: 1992 *Campus*, p. 124

*Rookie race...*

Right after the gun goes off to start the race, Taylor Roland (9) and her teammates make a dash to establish position in the first race of the cross country season. "I was nervous coming into the season because all of the meets are a 5K distance which is longer than in middle school," Roland said. During the summer, Roland contemplated playing volleyball rather than running cross country, but ultimately decided that she preferred to run.

## BOYS' CC

9/29 Altoona L 30-25
10/6 Armstrong W 15-50
10/6 Fox Chapel L 44-17
10/6 Gateway W 25-36
10/6 Indiana L 24-31
10/6 Central Catholic W 33-23
10/6 Penn Hills W 15-50
10/6 Plum W 23-37
10/6 Woodland Hills W 15-50

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## GIRLS' CC

9/29 Altoona W 25-30
10/6 Armstrong W 20-40
10/6 Fox Chapel L 32-24
10/6 Gateway W 19-40
10/6 Indiana W 15-48
10/6 Oakland Catholic L 33-23
10/6 Penn Hills W 15-50
10/6 Plum W 18-45
10/6 Woodland Hills W 15-50

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## TRACK AND FIELD

3/29 Knoch (away)
4/2 Altoona (away)
4/7 Mars (home)
4/8 Lady S./Wild. Invite (away)
4/12 Freeport Area (away)
4/14 Hampton (home)
4/19 Highlands (away)
4/22-23 Butler Invite (away)
4/25 Armstrong (home)
4/30 WCCA Champ. (away)
5/3 WPIAL Team Playoffs
5/6-7 Baldwin Invite (away)
5/11 WPIAL Team Finals
5/18 WPIAL Individual Finals
5/27-28 PIAA State Finals

## CROSS COUNTRY

*Front Row:* Taylor Roland, Justin Tucker, Ellie Hecker, Tatiana Holt, Gianna Wray, Amara Sterlitz, Reilly Sullivan, Eliza Miller; *Row 2:* Wyatt Krogh, Zachary Obringer, Olivia Schrag, Lizeth Sesmas, Antonio Giordano, Phillip Miller; *Back Row:* Payton Sullivan, Joshua Obringer, Paul Roberts, Hunter Heinack, Josette Plazio; *Not Pictured:* Zachary George.

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

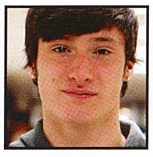
Photo: *N. Shumaker* (Nikkala Anne Photography)

"I also play soccer. I've played it forever. All of the training that I've put into it over the years has definitely spilled over into track, especially since my event is hurdles."

*Payton Buffone* (11)

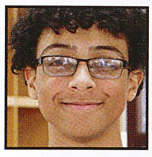
"Besides track, I'm on the volleyball team. Volleyball is so team-oriented, everyone with the same goals. I like that my relay events let me share in that with other girls, too, all for the same purpose."

*Sydney Joyce* (11)



"I've been a swimmer for two years now. My time in the pool has helped me in the 400-relay because it has allowed me to build up endurance that works in track, as well."

*Phillip Miller* (12)



"Even though I run the 100 and 200 in track, my time on the basketball team has helped me. I feel that my conditioning in the winter has aided my agility and speed in track events."

*Demiuex McFadden* (10)

"As a safety and wide receiver on the football team, I've had to train extensively off the field. My lifing, conditioning, and sprints have all helped me to succeed in track and field."

*Matt Hilty* (12)

"I play offensive line in football and also wrestle for the school. That takes a lot of strength and speed, at times. Both of those qualities have helped me as a thrower for track and field."

*Jack Crider* (12)

# how one affects the other

So, you play two sports. What aspects of your other sport do you bring to track?

Photos: *Patti McCorkle* (Patti McCorkle Photography)

## BOYS' TRACK

*Front Row:* Ethan Woodhall, Garrett Fryar, Antonio Giordano, Samuel Coleman, Chad Hepler; *Row 2:* Owen Zimmerman, James Pearson, Thomas Iseman, Cody Dykes, Campbell Curry; *Row 3:* Ryan Klingensmith, Davien Pope, Andrew Fleming, Zachary George, Amari McNeil, Kyle Guido; *Row 4:* Deshaun McBryde, Jack Crider, Luke Earley, Braden Mika; *Row 5:* Cole Graf, Joseph Galo, Hunter Heinack, Brandon Ray, Paul Roberts, Ben Young, Demiuex McFadden; *Row 6:* Johnathan Toy, Peter Poremski, Terry Martin, Isaiah Gonzalez, Brennan Moore, Evan Opaska, Dylan Lehosky; *Row 7:* Matthew Vigna, Seth Hall, James Grimm, Branden Bigley, Justin Gross, Caleb George, Miguel Ramos; *Row 8:* Cameron Murphy, Eli Shultz, Ryan Franklin, Nathan Summerhill, Nathan Uncapher, Alec Tucker; *Not Pictured:* Drake Borello, Jack Coleman, Ryder Ekas, Mathew Hilty, Dylan Hutcherson, Ronald Krafick, Phillip Miller, Justin Tucker, Andrew Westcoat.

## GIRLS' TRACK

*Front Row:* Nyasia Chambers, Madison Coniglio, Katrina Orange, Macey Hepler, Josette Plazio; *Row 2:* Payton Sullivan, Faith Cook, Lindsey Zera, Karly Keller, Lizeth Sesmas; *Row 3:* Natavia Wilson, Erica Shamburg, Gianna Wray, Madeline Joyce, Ava Strellec, Taylor Roland, Sophia Hranica; *Row 4:* Maria Heath, Mia Fundrella, Savhanna Ruperto, Carly Shupe, Ellie Hecker, Isabella Ondish, Mia DeVito. *Not Pictured:* Victoria Berberich, Payton Buffone, Avery Celo, Isabella DeVito, Tatiana Holt, Sydney Joyce, Emma King, Makenna MacLean, Eliza Miller, Alyssa Mydock, Olivia Schrag, Madison Slomka, Reilly Sullivan, Angela Tucker, Nicole Yohe.

Photo: *A. Wilkins* (par)

### *Encouraging teammates...*

At the conclusion of the 3200 meter race, Mia DeVito (10) offers encouragement to her teammates as Angela Tucker (11) and Carly Shupe (10) look on. DeVito said, "Since all of my events were done, we watched the last of the track events finish up. I was yelling, 'Go, Josette, go!' at Josie Plazio (12)." DeVito competed in javelin, shot put, and discus at all of the track meets.

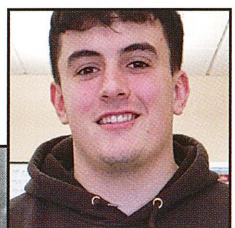
Jason Calorio prepares to unleash his fury on the shotput at a home event.

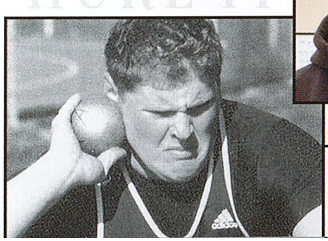
Photo: 2004 *Campus*, p. 154

Which of the three throwing events do you consider your best?

"I prefer the shotput because it's the one that I've been doing the longest and the one that I feel most comfortable with."

*Samuel Coleman* (12)





# MAKING UP FOR *all that lost time*

Story: *J. Swanson* (fac)

## Students discuss difficulties of lost year

All spring sports felt the worst of the brunt of the shutdown in 2020 due to COVID. Baseball and softball salvaged their competitive seasons with summer leagues. Unfortunately, the track and field teams did not get to enjoy a similar luxury.

After a fun seventh grade season, Carly Shupe (10) felt upset over losing her eighth grade season.

Shupe said, "It set me back a little, missing the eighth grade year. I had to relearn some techniques, and javelin was totally new to me. I did pretty okay, and overall, I was just glad to be back out there again."

Ethan Woodhall (12) knew that missing a year and having a new throwing coach would add to the difficulty.

Woodhall said, "I missed out on a year of improvement. Learning from a new coach helped us to learn from each other."

Michael McGuire (11) endured a double disappointment when he learned of a stress fracture in his shin in February.

McGuire said, "I was ready for the freshman season but lost it due to COVID. After cross country last year, I had pain in my leg, but I ran on it anyway. So, I lost my sophomore season, too. I am looking forward to the indoor and outdoor season this year."

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

"I was thinking about how I need to count my steps to correctly vault."

*Makenna MacLean* (10)

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

"I think about the upcoming workout. I am a little nervous for it and I focus on not getting hurt."

*Isabella Ondish* (10)

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

"It is really fun running against my teammates since we are not super competitive with each other. But, when I get to race people from other schools along side my teammates, it is so much better. It is more exciting to compete against others who are faster than you, pushing you to go faster."

*Lindsey Zera* (12)

Photo: *C. Mydock* (2021 grad)

## BEST *advice*

**"RUN AS HARD AS YOU CAN, EVEN WHEN RUNNING DURING WORKOUTS."**

*Campbell Curry* (12)

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

### *Stick the landing...*

Finishing up in the sand pit after his long jump, Brennan Moore (10) realizes he needs to improve his landing. Moore said, "This Hampton meet was frigid, so I was mainly trying to stay warm. This jump was not my best jump." The early season meet caused Moore to have to focus more on staying loose for all of his events.

# FACE *the agony*

A true athlete gives it his or her all, no matter the sport. Even with the number of events in track and field, one could easily witness the fighting spirit of each athlete at every event in every competition.

1) *Ben Young* (10): high jump
2) *Samuel Coleman* (12): shot put
3) *Mia Fundrella* (10): 100M sprints
4) *Jack Coleman* (12): hurdles
5) *Davien Pope* (11): 200M sprints
6) *Dylan Hutcherson* (12): high jump
7) *Katrina Orange* (12): long jump
8) *Braden Mika* (11): shot put
8) *Riley Koziatek* (11): 200M sprints

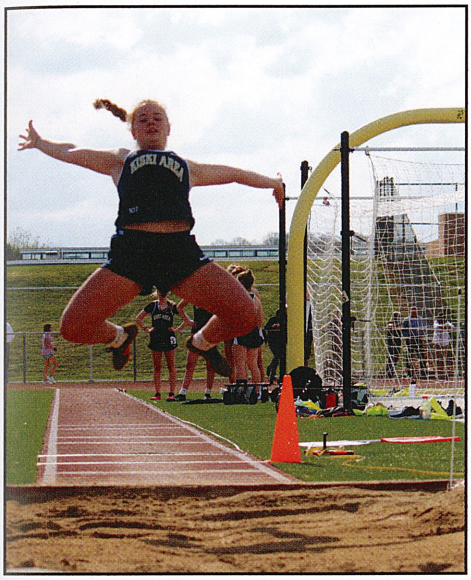


Photo: *C. Mydock* (2021 grad)

### *Mouth closed, jump high...*

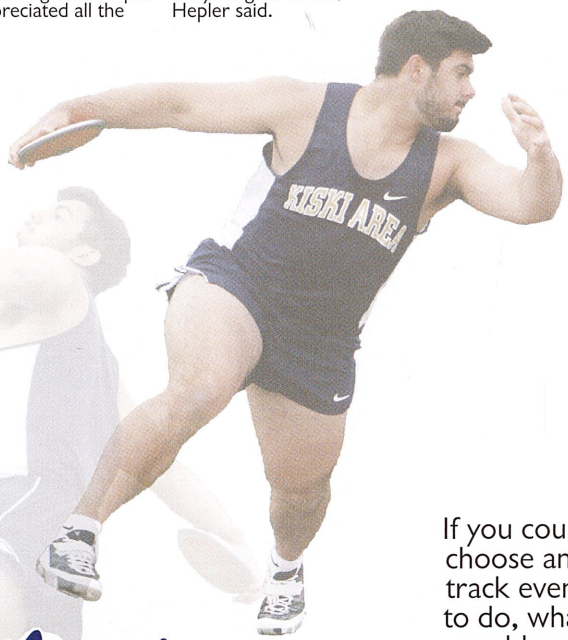
During the long jump event, Katrina Orange (12) launches from the runway. Orange said, "In my head, I say to myself 'jump high keep mouth closed,' so I don't get sand in it." She started her long jump career in seventh grade.

## *Forward motion*

Half the battle with discus involved technique (with the other half represented by strength). CJ Hepler (12) started his discus and throwing career in seventh grade. Hepler appreciated all the help Coach Scott Newell gave him, and he made sure to pay his knowledge forward to the new throwers. "All of us watch each other and give feedback to help the young throwers," Hepler said.

### *Safe landing...*

While Nyasia Chambers (12) completes her high jump attempt, Faith Cook (12) and Ben Young (10) watch, waiting for their turn at pole vault. Chambers said, "I was practicing and thinking to myself about how the jump felt and what I did right and what I did wrong." Coach Brell encouraged Chambers to give high jump a shot in ninth grade, and she has loved it ever since.



"Before I throw, I concentrate on not stepping out of bounds and fouling. When I start my windup, it goes so fast; I don't think of anything."

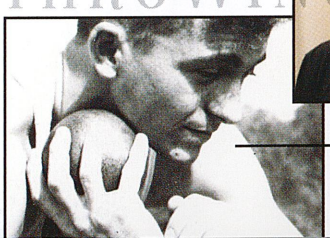
*CJ Hepler* (12)

# *anatomy* OF A THROW

Looking like some ancient Greek God, Bill Donaldson meditates a moment before his turn in the shot put event.

Photo: 1965 *Campus*, p. 156

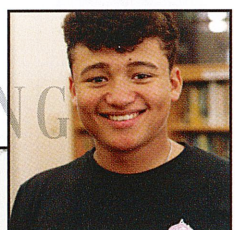
THROWING



If you could choose any track event to do, what would you choose and why?

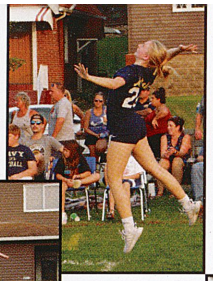
"I would have to say shot put and discus because my mom did it in college at the D1 level."

*Trey Roberts* (9)

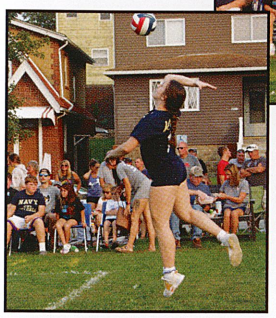


# PACK THE PARK *versus Norwin*

Discuss your thoughts about the *Pack the Park* match at Kennedy Park in Vandergrift.

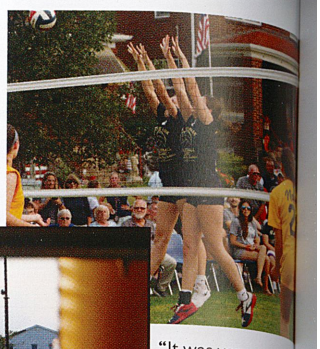


"I thought it was a great event for our team and the community."
*Sydney Joyce* (11)

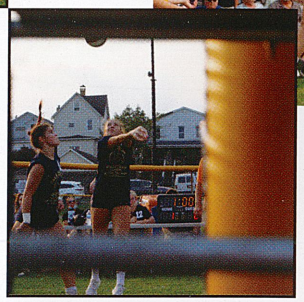


Photos: *J. Swanson* (fac)

"It was a bit of an adjustment to play on grass."
*Bryn Hewitt* (11)



"We became friends with the Norwin team at a summer program, so it was difficult playing them."
*Isabella Ondish* (10)



"It was very difficult to maintain stability on the grass. But, that made it more fun because we were falling around."
*Carlee Kuhn* (12)

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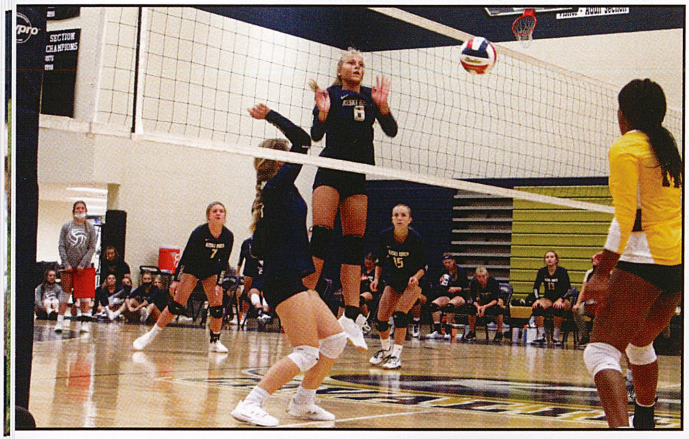


*Might as well jump...*

As Jael Ledbetter (9) gets herself in position to spike the ball, the opponent ends up hitting into the net. Ledbetter said, "When I play, I don't think, I just do. I had a coach tell me to never think about anything other than what's going on at the moment." The matches against Franklin Regional and Plum stuck out in Ledbetter's mind as the most intense ones.

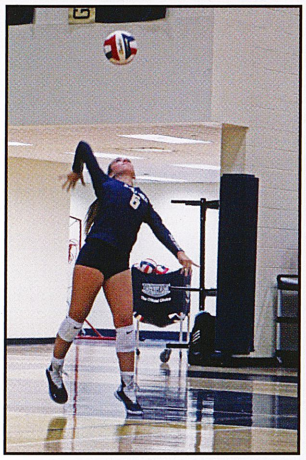


Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

*Super slick serve...*

Reaching back for her serve, Madalyn Polka (11) looks to find the open spot on the opponent's side of the court. "I try to find where the other team isn't when I serve. However, as long as it goes over, it's good," Polka said. She started playing volleyball in seventh grade and settled in her position as middle back.

# BEST *advice*

**"YOUR ATTITUDE REFLECTS ON THE TEAM. WHEN A POINT IS LOST, YOU CAN'T STAY STUCK ON THAT."**

*Mia Devito* (10)

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

### *Can't contain her...*

After the winning point in a 29-27 first set win against Greensburg Salem, Abigail Johns (10) wears her emotions on her sleeve in celebration. Johns said, "It is hard for me to contain my emotions during a match. I get excited after a win like that." Johns started playing basketball first, but Coach McCartney, her fourth grade math teacher, talked her into trying out for the volleyball team.

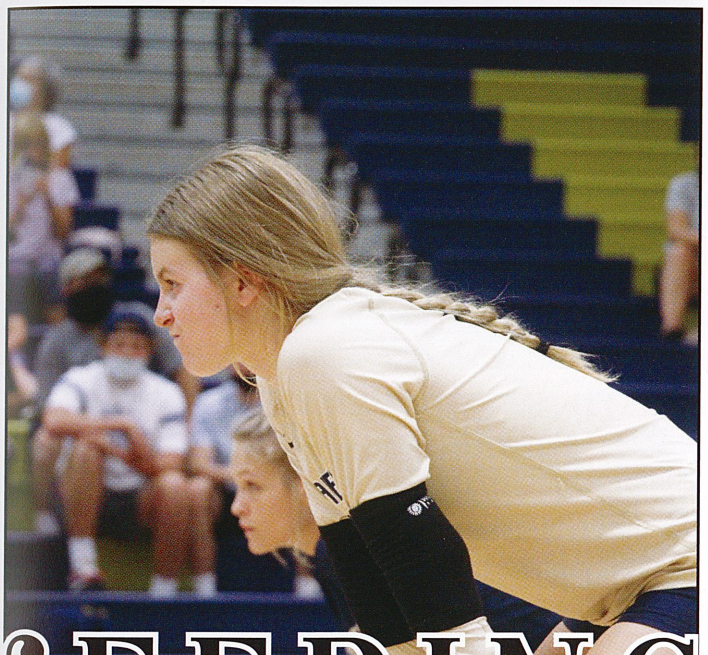


Photo: *S. Smietana* (11)

# KEEPING IT COOL

## *with rowdy fans*

Story: *R. Frye* (11)

### Playing in front of Plum Mustang crowd proves challenging

Student section yelling. Crowd cheering. Volleyball pounding. The match against Plum seemed to create a memorable uproar within the Plum student section.

"The student section was made up of some of their boy's volleyball team members which means they knew what they were talking about," Alyssa Weigand (11) said.

The Plum student section involved themselves in verbally attacking the girls on the team.

"They weren't personally attacking me," Madeline Joyce (9) said, "but just hearing them call out my teammates affected how I was playing just a little bit."

While the student section continued to get in the girls' heads, someone in the Kiski crowd did something about it. "One of the moms recorded the student section and sent it to the athletic director, who then called the police so they could contain this wildly aggressive group of students," Weigand said.

Even though the game ended in a loss, the team played as hard as they could, given the circumstances.

### *Shanks, but no shanks...*

While waiting for the serve, Madeline Joyce (9) uses a look of determination to intimidate the server. Joyce said, "If the ball comes my way on the serve, my biggest fear is shanking it. Luckily, I don't do that very often." Joyce played primarily as setter on her club team, but tried out and earned the libero position since her older sister Sydney Joyce (11) played as the setter on the varsity squad.

### *Audience of one...*

While listening to the National Anthem, Laci Safranyos (11) prepares her mind and body for the game ahead. Safranyos said, "I look at the same star on the flag every time; top right, third in the diagonal. Then, at the end of the Anthem, I tap my fingers over my heart." During her last play off game, Safranyos wrote AO1 on her wrist tape for Audience of One and played the best game of her life against the hardest hitter she'd ever seen.

## HUDDLE UP *support the* TEAM

### *Starting stimulus...*

During the pregame introductions, the team raises their arms to form a tunnel as Macey Hepler (12) hears her name called and runs through. "We clap for each person and offer random words of encouragement to hype each other up for the match," Hepler said. Even though Hepler excelled as a thrower in track and field, she hoped to play intramural volleyball in college.

### *Coach coaching...*

In order to gather the troops at a critical juncture in the match, Alyssa Weigand (11) listens intently to Coach Jodie McCartney. Weigand said, "Coach usually hypes us up and critiques our play to that point. She definitely helps to renew our energy when we get back on the court." Weigand remarked how it seemed more players missed time this year versus last year due to COVID-19 contact.

### *Emotional energy...*

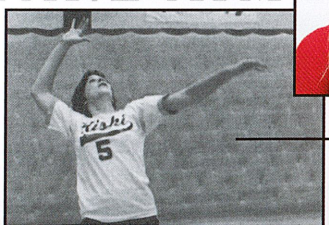
After a hard-fought point, the team gathers to celebrate. Emma Beck (12) said, "When we win a point, we celebrate and get focused for the upcoming play. We try to keep the energy up for the rest of the match." Beck remembered the intensity from a match her freshman year against Franklin Regional and the excitement of each point.

## TAKE AIM

**What do you enjoy most about volleyball?**

"My favorite thing has to be the intensity of the game, and I love serving game point because it's exhilarating."

*Savannah Fritz* (10)



Stand back, here it comes. Ellen Mangus (1979 grad) takes aim at serving the perfect ball.

Photo: 1978 *Campus*, p. 124

# WRESTLING

*Front Row:* Clayton Cramer, Vincent Gray, Mark Gray, Evan Artman, Riley Shearer, Logan Burkett, Tayquan Phelps; *Row 2:* Brayden Miller, Ethan Connor, Carter Dilts, Grant Smith, Antonio Giordano, Logan Reynolds, Enzo Morlacci, Collin Martin, Stone Joseph; *Row 3:* Noah Henry, Grace Geltz (mgr), Linzey Miller (mgr), Isabella DeVito, Jessica Starr (mgr), Laken Robshaw (mgr), Donavin Harbison; *Back Row:* Jack Crider, Ryan Klingensmith, Doug Joseph (coach), Aaron Kiebler (coach), Chris Heater (coach), Matt Kiebler (coach), Logan Bechtold, Amari McNeil.

Photo: *N. Shumaker* (Nikkala Anne Phogtography)

Photo: *P. McCorkle* (Patti McCorkle Photography)

# VOLLEYBALL

*Front Row:* Alexa Bollinger, Ava Strellec, Emma Beck, Madalyn Polka, Adelyne Ledbetter; *Row 2:* Macey Hepler, Savannah Fritz, Carlee Kuhn, Sydney Joyce, Isabella Delia, Cora Coleman, Mia DeVito, Chloe Welshans; *Row 3:* Emmerson McBryde, Kate Wigton, Brynn Bires, Isabella Ondish, Laci Safranyos, Natavia Wilson, Abigail Johns; *Back Row:* Coach Liz Recchia, Coach Robin Joyce, Madeline Joyce, Margaret Pulice, Jael Ledbetter, Emma Peck, Zoe Holm, Alyssa Weigand, Bryn Hewitt, Coach Lindsey Weiser, Coach Jodie McCartney. *Not Pictured:* Gabriella Prignon.

Photo: *C. Cramer* (2020 grad)

## WRESTLING

12/15 Hampton W 62-12
12/18 Ambridge W 72-0
12/18 Beth-Center W 52-28
12/18 West Allegheny L 35-38
12/18 Palmyra W 53-21
12/18 Quaker Valley W 42-34
1/5 Armstrong W 57-6
1/12 Fox Chapel W 64-6
1/14 Burrell W 39-24
1/15 Mountain View (VA) W 35-27
1/15 Canon-McMillan L 16-49
1/15 Connellsville L 15-54
1/20 Highlands W 60-12
1/26 Penn Trafford W 59-9
1/26 Franklin Regional W 40-29

**WPIAL Playoffs**
2/2 Pine-Richland W 48-19
2/2 Connellsville L 18-42

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## VOLLEYBALL

9/7 Greensburg Salem W 3-2
9/9 Penn Hills W 3-0
9/13 Norwin L 1-3
9/14 Woodland Hills W 3-0
9/16 Franklin Regional L 0-3
9/21 McKeesport W 3-1
9/23 Plum L 2-3
9/28 Indiana L 0-3
9/29 Gateway L 0-3
10/5 Penn Hills W 3-0
10/7 Woodland Hills W 3-0
10/12 Franklin Regional L 2-3
10/13 Greensburg Salem W 3-0
10/14 McKeesport W 3-0
10/19 Plum L 0-3
10/21 Indiana L 1-3

**Playoffs**
10/25 Albert Gallatin L 0-3

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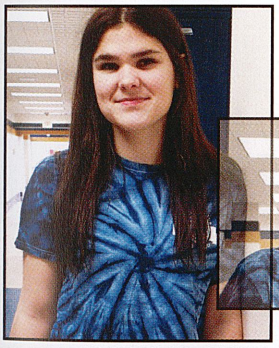
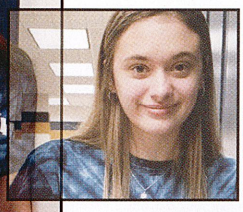
### *Down by injury default...*

In his 160# weight class, Enzo Morlacci (12) works to turn Gavyn Beck (11) from Franklin Regional to the mat. Morlacci said, "I felt bad that I actually gave Gavyn a concussion during the match at Gateway." Morlacci ended up winning the match by injury default with a score of 12-0.



"I loved that, for the first time, we got to play on the newly dedicated Ellen Toy grass court in Vandergrift in Kennedy Park. That was special to us."
*Laci Safranyos* (11)



"Volleyball has had a long-standing history of great coaching. We've always been taught to uphold certain values and never take anything for granted. It's more than a sport; it's a family."
*Brynn Bires* (11)

"Our coach knows more than anyone that volleyball is more than a sport. It's more about the relationships and time spent together."
*Katie Wigton* (12)

"The Ellen Toy *We Serve First Foundation* and *Jam the Gym* have brought lots of volleyball teams together and provided us with new equipment."
*Bryn Hewitt* (11)

"Coach McCartney always pushes each player to be the best person that they can be, on and off the court."
*Abbie Johns* (10)

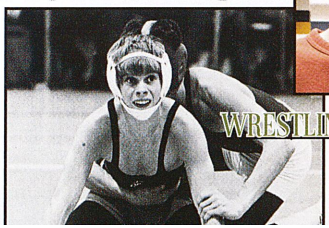
# *Always there for the whole team*

## Girls discuss the legendary coaching staff of team.

"We have always had a great program. It's been a legacy. We have had great coaching and wrestlers who care enough to work the hardest they can to be the best."
*Ryan Klingensmith* (11)

Why do you suppose the school has such a strong wrestling program?

## POWERHOUSE



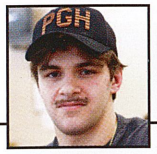
Following and out-of-bounds call, Jim Lamison watches for the ref's signal to restart the Penn Hills versus Kiski match.

Photo: 1972 *Campus*, p. 119

# QUICKEST PINS *of the season*

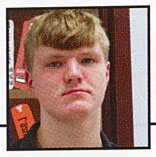
*As of 1/21/22*

Who had the five fastest pins this season, and how many pins did each wrestler get by January 21?

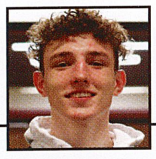


*Enzo Morlacci* (12)
5-second pin against *Ethan Wrotny* from Ambridge
12 pins this season

*Donavin Harbison* (11)
8-second pin against *Aaron Fortwalt* from Indiana
11 pins this season



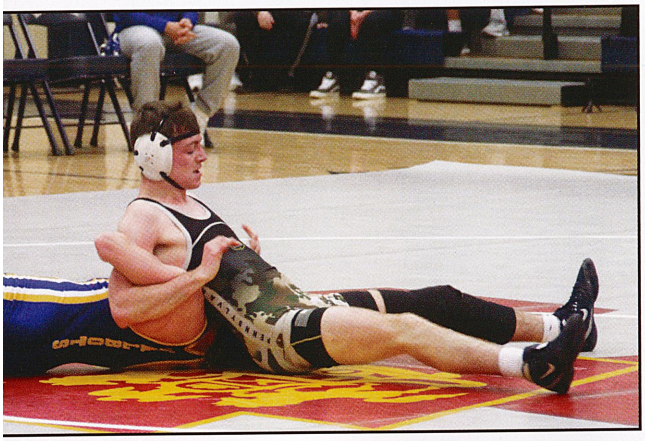
*Carter Dilts* (9)
16-second pin against *Stephen Provenzano* from Fox Chapel
11 pins this season



*Mark Gray* (11)
18-second pin against *Anthony Babiari* from Burrell
10 pins this season

*Ryan Klingensmith* (12)
42-second pin against *Davis Stepp* from Beth Center
9 pins this season

Photo: *A. Celo* (11)

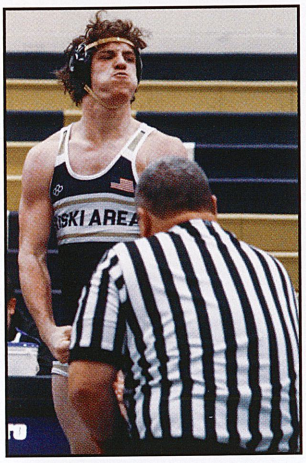


## *Backdrop...*

With a slick move, Ethan Connor (12) makes quick work of Alan Danner (10) from Hampton High School. "It was a great experience honoring the National Guard in our camo singlets," Connor said. His pin of Danner in 2:26 represented one of the fastest wins for Connor this season.

## *Celebrate good times...*

On Senior Night against Fox Chapel, Collin Martin (12) closes his high school career with a pin. Martin said, "It felt amazing to be able to go out and wrestle, represent our school again this year, and get the pin on Senior Night." Martin accomplished a pin for the win in five of his six victories.



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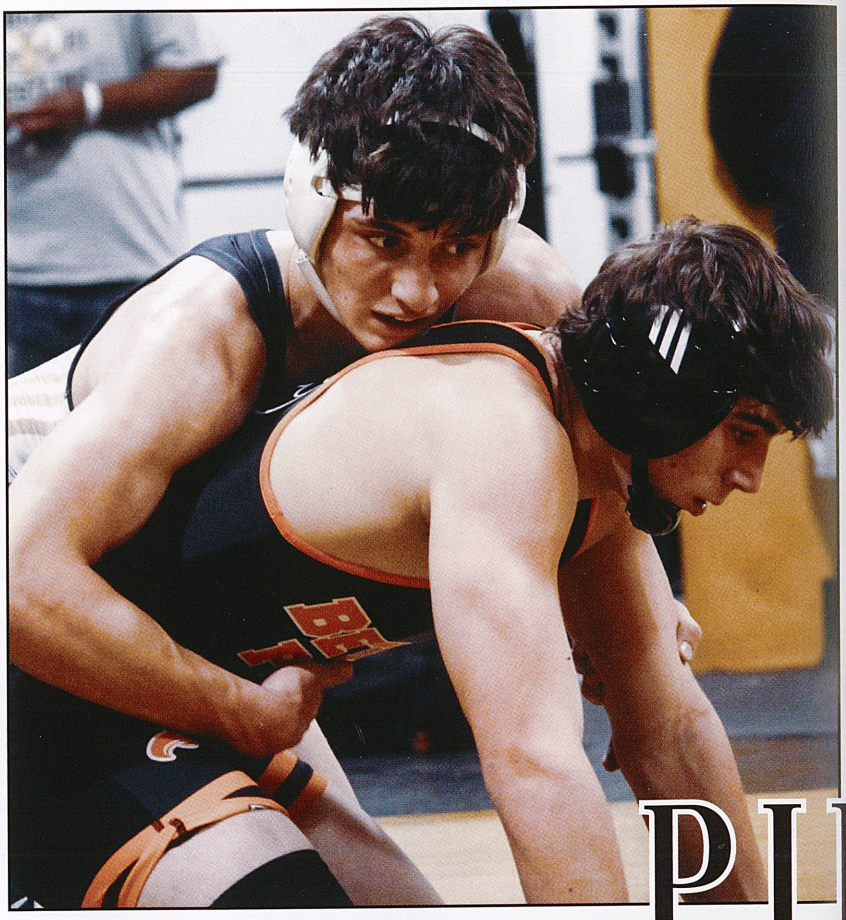


# PIN

## *One point struggle...*

At the start of the second period, Evan Artman's (10) opponent starts in the down position. "It was a struggle keeping him from earning an escape point. Luckily, it is only worth one point," Artman said. He sported a 13-10 record with seven pins.

## *Bloody win...*

During a previous match, Clayton Cramer (10) sustained a hit to the nose that caused it to bleed. Cramer said, "It was everywhere and wouldn't stop. I didn't want to stop the match, so I pinned the kid in the first period." Cramer felt he had a good season, especially since he had 10 pins.

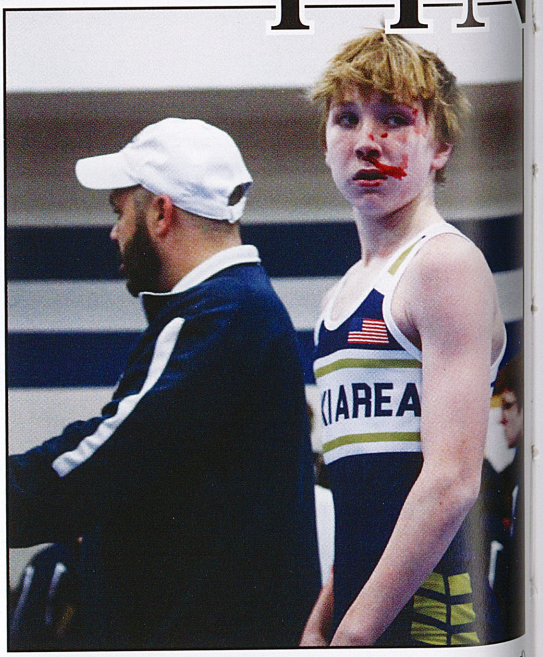


Photo: *C. Cramer* (2020 grad)

# BEST *advice*

**"FOR THAT SIX MINUTES YOU'RE OUT ON THE MAT, BE FREE, HAVE FUN, AND CUT IT LOOSE. LEAVE THE MATCH WITH NO REGRETS."**

*Coach Heater* (fac)

### Hipster pin...

In his match against Fox Chapel's Landon Funk (9), Amari McNeil (11) hip-tosses Funk to finish the match with a pin in the third period. McNeil said, "This year is my fifth year wrestling. With not wrestling last year, overall, I am pretty satisfied with how I wrestled." McNeil owned the mindset that next year, he would come out twice as hard for his senior season.

Photo: *A. Celo* (11)

# NING SPOTS
## down for states

### State qualifiers tell perspectives on Finals in Hershey, PA

Story: *R. Frye* (11)

"I think we have a good shot, I think all three should medal," Mr. Heater (fac) said. The day after three of his wrestlers, Stone Joseph (12), Enzo Morlacci (12), and Isabella DeVito (11), qualified for states, Heater figured they would all come out with a clean finish. "Stone and Enzo are both seniors who just qualified for the first time. With that being said, it just goes to show you how difficult it is to get to states," Heater said.

"I was just taking each match one at a time and trying to enjoy the moment because I knew that one of these matches would be the last time I was going to wrestle in those rounds during my high school career," Joseph said.

One of these matches qualified Joseph for states, and "when I got the pin in the blood round, I was very excited to secure my spot."

"I was excited and feeling confident in the qualifying matches, and when I realized I made it to states, I was beyond happy and proud of myself that I made it that far," DeVito said.

In all of the stress, these matmen did have moments that stuck out. For DeVito, "My second match was very exciting and close in points. It was tied 3-3 going into the third period."

Joseph smiled when he said, "I launched kids through the air, which is always exciting!."

"Obviously we went in blind, and I am very excited about how things turned out. I am very proud of my team," Coach Heater said.

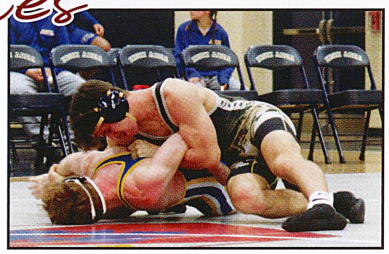


Photo: *A. Mydock* (11)

### All the way to PIAA...

"It felt great, especially since it was my first trip to the state tournament. Other years, it felt like my seasons were incomplete, but I was glad to get through a whole season without injuries and earning a medal at states."

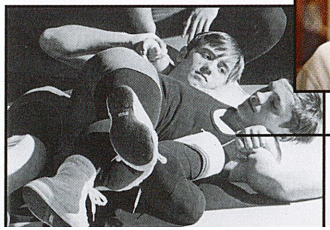
*Enzo Morlacci* (12)

"Ryan Klingensmith and I work great together. We push each other every day to get to where we want to be."

*Logan Bechtold* (11)

Discuss working with your wrestling partner in practice.

PRACTICE



Ron Rollinger and Tim Mackuliak practice their moves in the wrestling room for the next match.

Photo: 1969 *Campus*, p. 175

# SHIFTING *perspectives on ice*

Story: *G. Kraus* (11)

## Hockey players realize importance of learning from veterans/ newcomers

Ice chips fly as skaters skid to a stop after the buzzer blares, signaling the end of their warm-up time. Having called up four players from the junior varsity team, the players' confidence in themselves to perform well brimmed.

Varsity Captain Aiden Sites (12) appreciated the opportunity to learn from the new varsity players.

"The incoming freshman helped a lot because they brought a ton of skill and hockey experience for us to work with," Sites said.

"It is really important to build a relationship with the new players on varsity off the ice in order to understand how they view the game and benefit us on the ice," Nick Miles (11) said. Miles had played hockey for eight years and played for multiple competitive teams outside of Kiski.

Jacob Kraus (9) learned a few valuable lesson during his time playing with the varsity team.

Kraus said, "I've been playing hockey since I was seven, and as I progressed to AAA, it became stressful for me. After I started playing varsity, I really began to enjoy playing hockey again because of how supportive the upperclassmen were."

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

"When I have a scoring opportunity, I use whatever time I have, and I account for the defenseman's play style to find the back of the net."
*Ethan Bombalski* (9)

"When the student section is big, it is a lot of fun. I feel like the sport is so full of action. That's why I go cheer on the Kiski Hockey Team."
*Nathan Vokes* (11)

"When playing goalie, it's easy to stop a slap shot from the point because you know it's coming. Any shot from the slot or cross-crease pass is the hardest to stop."
*Evin Brice* (11)

Photos: *J. Swanson* (fac)

## BEST *advice*

**"HOWEVER HARD YOU WORK IN PRACTICE, IN A GAME, ETC., IT WILL ALWAYS PAY OFF IN THE END."**

*Dylan Matenkosky* (9)

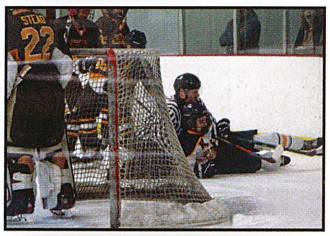
Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

### *Break fast...*

While tracking down the loose puck, center Aidan Bardine (11) looks to corral it down and create a scoring chance. Bardine said, "When I lead a breakout opportunity, I try to find the open man so that we can get a shot on goal." Bardine fondly recalled that he netted the first goal of the year for the team in the first game of the year against Norwin.

## FACE *the fight*

Physicality and hockey went hand in hand. Anyone who signed up for the sport understood this. Members of the hockey team never shied away from a good brush-up, which resulted in some chippiness throughout the season.



### *Defensive fracas...*

During the Greensburg Salem game, Matt Clinger (12) gets in only his second fight in a high school hockey game in his career. Clinger said, "I was sticking up for a cheap hit that was put on Tanner [Kowalkowski] (11)." Clinger received a five-minute major penalty and a game misconduct for his feat.

### *Let me at 'em...*

After Preston Henry (12) of Greensburg Salem cross-checked Aidan Bardine (12), Geno Gallippi (12) rushes in to support his teammate in the scuffle. Gallippi said, "I tried to send a message to Henry, but once the ref got a hold of me, there wasn't much I could do." Gallippi played the winger position and indicated that he created a lot of hockey memories with the boys.

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

### *Digging for the goal...*

In the corner, Kyle Guido (11) tries to gain control of the puck. Guido said, "There is no technique for getting a puck out of the corner. You just have to want it more." Guido's 14 goals gave him the second most on the team behind Ethan George's (11) 21 goals.

Defenseman *Aiden Sites* (12)

### *Control of the puck...*

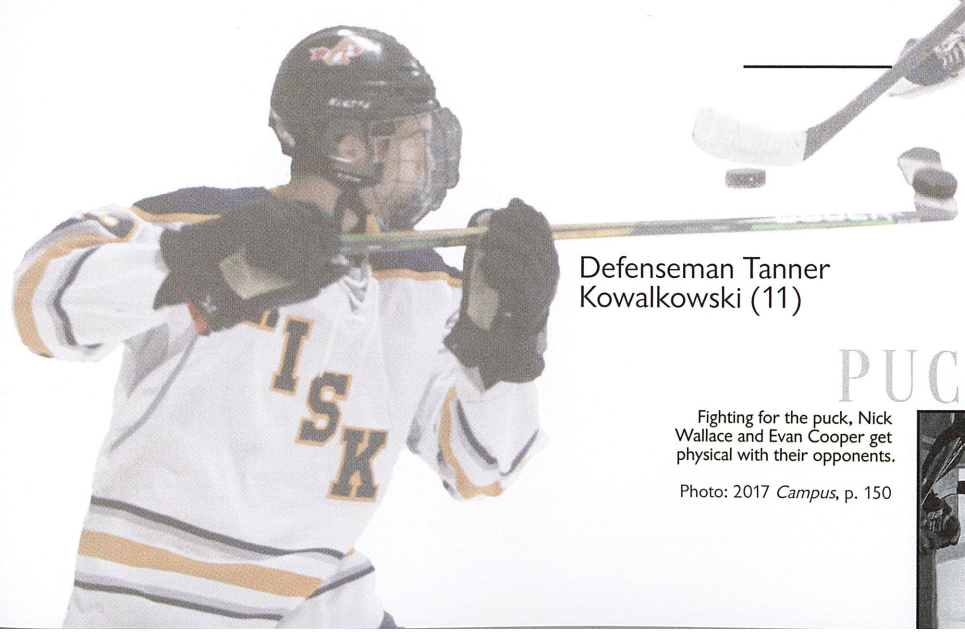
As a defenseman, Aiden Sites (12) rates his puck-handling skills as mediocre. "Defensemen need to be able to control the puck to the blue line and make the simple plays to the forwards," Sites said.

Tanner Kowalkowski (11) said, "I made a saucer pass (one that goes slightly off the ground through the air over everyone's sticks) to a teammate in the neutral zone who had a breakaway, and he skated in on net and scored."

### *Crash the net...*

As Nicholas Miles (11) zeroes in on the goal, he tries to get a clean shot. "At the center position, I try to get my teammates an opportunity to score. So, when I skate at the goal with the puck, I have to make a split-second decision to pass to a teammate or shoot it myself," Miles said. He started playing hockey at the age of five and has logged time with the Allegheny Badgers and the North Hills Vipers.

## *caught* IN ACTION

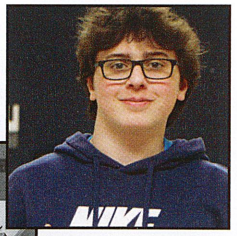


Defenseman Tanner Kowalkowski (11)

"Against the top team Norwin, I got a shutout and stopped all 25 shots they put on me."

*Jake Walker* (9)

Discuss your best performance as the goalie.



PUCK STOP

Fighting for the puck, Nick Wallace and Evan Cooper get physical with their opponents.

Photo: 2017 *Campus*, p. 150

# SWIMMING

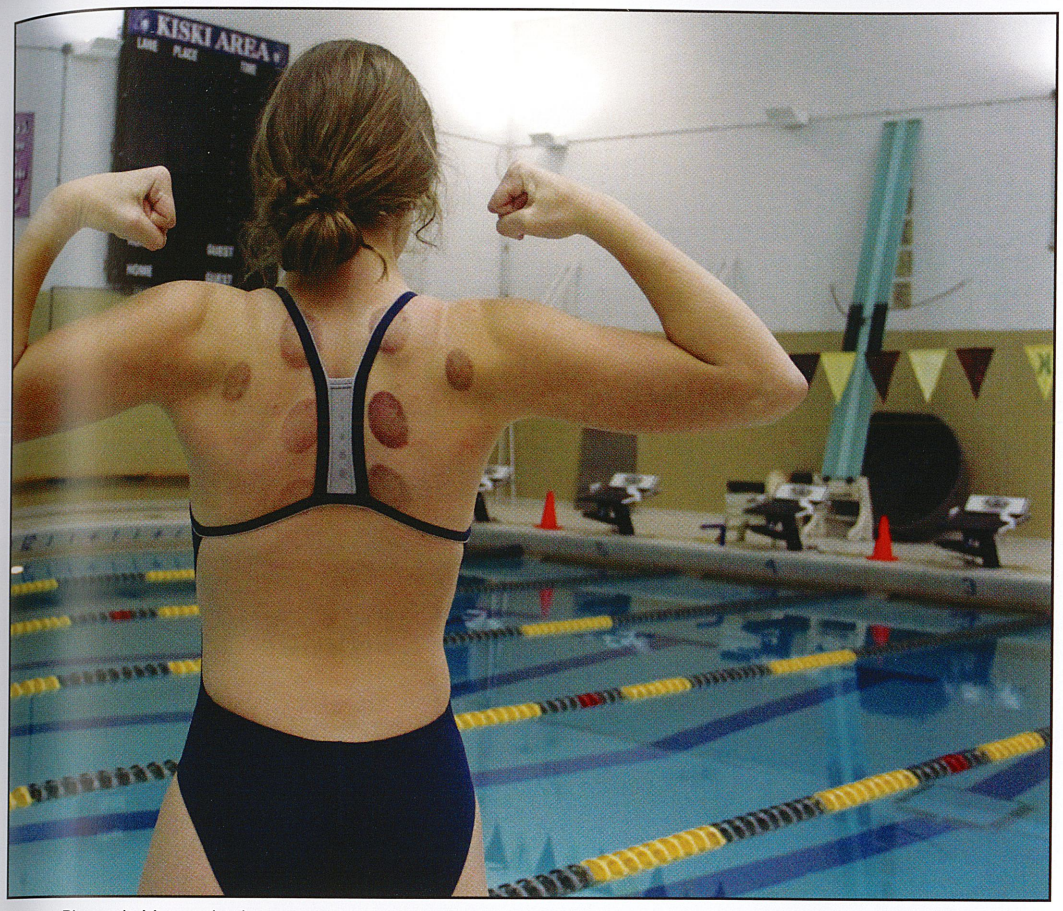
*Front Row:* Phillip Miller, Megan Hastings, Cameran Thompson, Jack Coleman; *Row 2:* Levi Hansen, Jacob Halter, Parker Sterlitz, Glenn Fowkes, Angela Tucker, Ella McBryde; *Back Row:* Amara Sterlitz, Mia DeVito, Paige Kunkle, Kendra Smail, Justin Tucker, Riley Yute, Landon Seman, Tatiana Holt, Eliza Miller, Abigail King. *Not Pictured:* Alec Tucker, Christina Peltier.

Photo: *L. Mamros* (par)

Photo: *J. Travaglia* (Jodi Travaglia Photography)

# HOCKEY

*Front Row:* Dakota Wilson, Evin Brice, Geno Gallippi; *Row 2:* Ryan Clinger, Tanner Kowalkowski, Seth Hall, Jacob Kraus, Justin Gross, Ethan Bombalski, Dylan Matenkosky, Nick Miles, Liam Alexander; *Back Row:* Ethan Brink, Matt Drahos, Aiden Sites, Kolin Shaffer, Owen Kowalkowski, Jacob Walker, Hunter Perfetta, Matt Behrik, Matt Clinger, Kyle Guido, Ethan George, Aidan Bardine. *Not Pictured:* Luke Patton.

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## BOYS' SWIMMING

12/10 Freeport L 79-84
12/14 Plum L 74-90
12/16 Penn Hills W 100-91
12/20 Mars L 84-99
12/22 Highlands W 90-40
1/20 Latrobe L 78-93
1/27 Penn Trafford L 84-92
2/1 Mt. Pleasant L 75-93
2/8 Connellsville W 98-71
2/10 Hempfield L 82-94
2/15 Norwin L 62-95
2/17 Armstrong L 75-80

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## BOYS' SWIMMING

12/10 Freeport W 82-58
12/14 Plum W 76-49
12/16 Penn Hills W 90-74
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## HOCKEY

10/5 Norwin L 4-5
10/11 Beaver W 4-2
10/19 Westmont Hilltop L 2-6
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11/1 Hampton W 9-1
11/11 Fox Chapel L 2-3
11/16 Blackhawk W 6-1
11/23 McDowell W 3-2
11/29 Plum W 5-2
12/7 Quaker Valley L 2-4
12/13 Norwin L 4-7
12/21 Wheeling Park W 6-5
1/3 Wheeling Catholic L 4-5
1/6 Freeport W 8-3
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2/7 North Catholic L 1-3
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2/21 Greensburg Salem L 3-4

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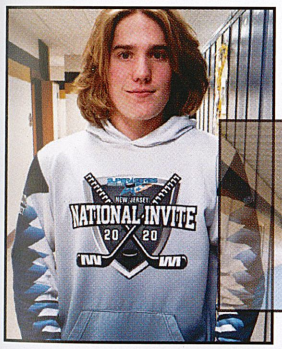
### *Back in black...*

To alleviate her muscle pain and cramping, Ella McBryde's (11) chiropractor from Sports Performance in Leechburg cupped her. McBryde said, "It didn't really hurt; it was more of a pressure. It made me feel much better, almost immediately." She said that the marks on her back remained for about two weeks.

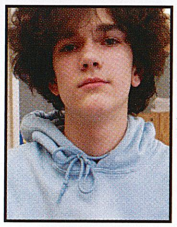
# *Always there for the whole team*

Who on the team always inspires you at every game?

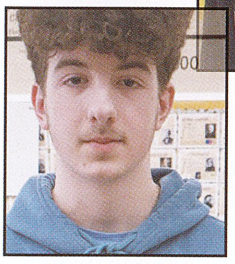


"I would pick Ethan George because he always brings a ton of energy to the games, he's always focused, and he's fun to play with."
*Ethan Bombalski* (9)

"Aiden Sites is always 100 percent in every game. He's the captain and the person who helps me the most at practice and at the games. He's instrumental in every win we get."
*Evin Brice* (11)



"Kolin Shaffer has always been nice to me, and he is one of the funniest people on the team, always good for a laugh."
*Seth Hall* (9)

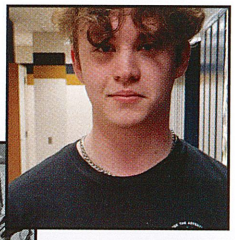


"I would say Ethan Bombalski because he's always working hard and a really nice kid. He's also leading in points for the team."
*Dylan Matenkosky* (9)

"Aiden Bardine is a team leader. He has a way of digging us out of a hole when we need him, and he always has a positive attitude when we need it."
*Kyle Guido* (11)

Besides the Pittsburgh Penguins, what NHL team do you admire most?

"I like the Chicago Blackhawks. I most like Patrick Kane. His style of play and how he slows the game down to his speed really impresses me."
*Justin Keys* (12)

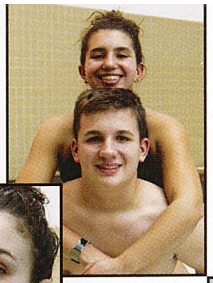


## PUCK TIME

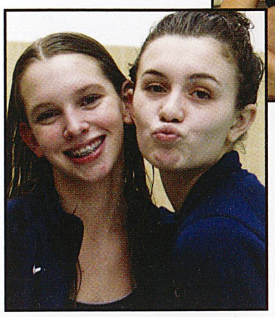
Coming up on a breakaway, junior Jordan Zvonkovich scores on Ligonier Valley goalie Ryan Donahue.
Photo: 2008 *Campus*, p. 140

# BONDING
## *through thick and thin*

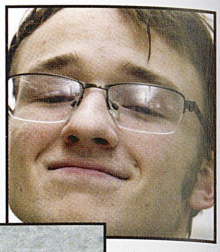
In a season with both triumphs and disappointments, team members discuss what meant most to them.



"I really liked swimming with my brothers Justin and Alec this year; it definitely made the season special."
*Angela Tucker* (11)



"Senior night was such a fun meet because we all pushed each other in the pool after."
*Amara Sterlitz* (9)

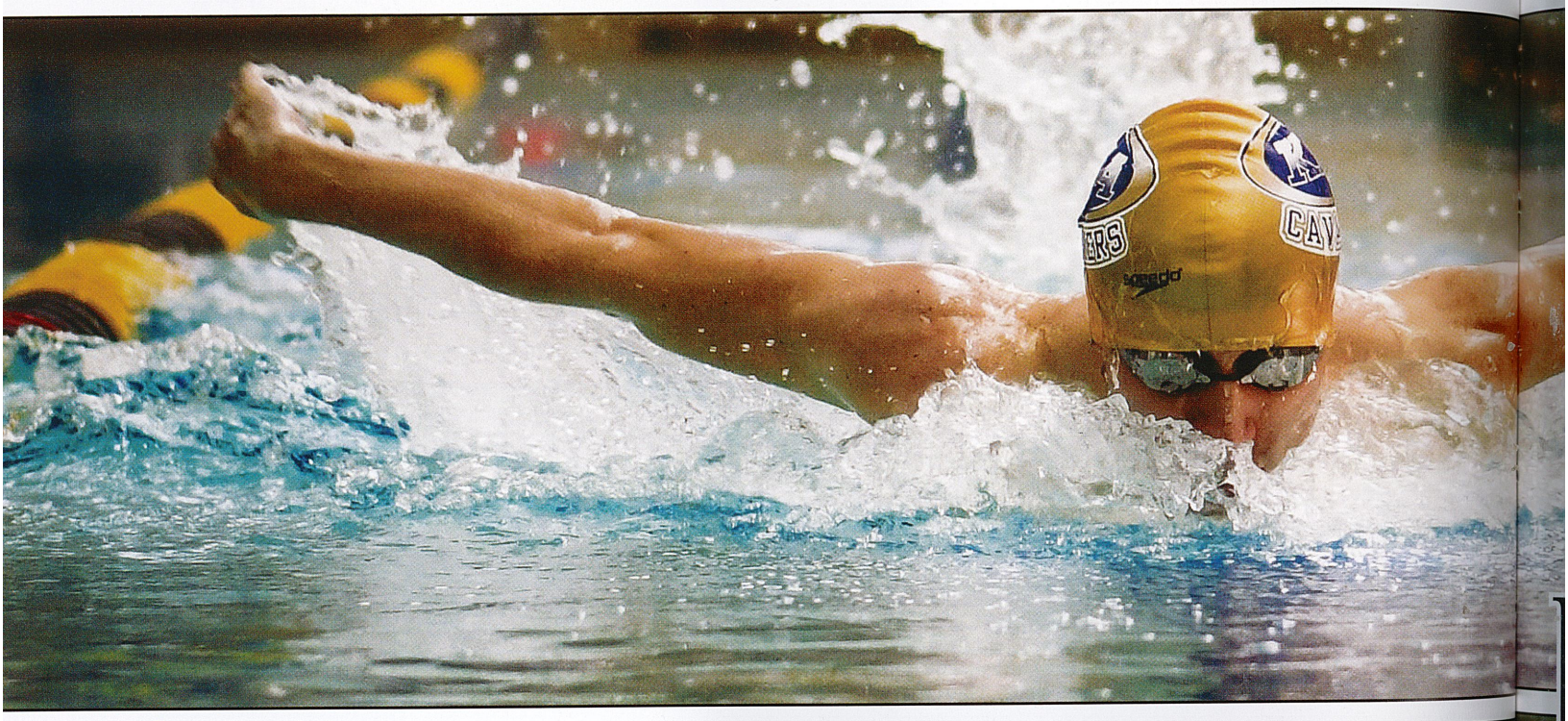


"I liked counties because I got personal bests and had a lot of fun with everyone."
*Glenn Fowkes* (11)

"I was excited that we did the *Go Bananas* cheer this year because I did it at zones when I was younger, and it really brings the team together and gets them excited."
*Parker Sterlitz* (11)

*For EJ...*

Flying through the water, Phillip Miller (12) pushes through his 100 Butterfly. "It took EJ like a month to convince me to swim for my senior year, but I am happy that I did," Miller said. He ended the season with a 100 breaststroke time of 1:02.15.



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# BEST *advice*

**"TELL YOURSELF YOU WILL WIN BECAUSE SWIMMING IS MOSTLY MINDSET."**

*Jack Coleman* (12)

Photo: *L. Mamros* (par)

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### *Flying into the future...*

Up for a gasp of air, Cameran Thompson (12) gets a best time without even realizing. "I looked up at the clock and was surprised to see I got first in my heat and then realized that I had dropped six seconds. I was so happy and surprised and happy that I started crying," Thompson said. "When I'm at college next year, I'll miss the small moments with the team most."

Photo: *L. Mamros* (par)

# DIVE BACK IN

## *to a hopeful season*

Story: *J. Glunt* (12)

### *On your mark...*

Exploding out of her start, Megan Hastings (12) leads off the 200-medley relay. "I like away meets because of all the energy on the bus," Hastings said. She most fondly remembered her performance at Counties.

### Swimmers take victory lap to celebrate return to pool

The swim team dove into a season of new possibilities after a season of rough waters. Previous restrictions kept the athletes limited in how they could practice and compete during last year's schedule. The swimmers now rejoiced in the freedom to reach for their goals without fear.

"We are so happy to be back to normal," Megan Hastings (12) said.

Hastings, an avid swimmer since early elementary, excelled in 100-meter and relay swimming.

"Our progress this year has been overwhelmingly positive, and it's exciting to see the team succeed, despite the odds. I think getting back to competition is going to be special for everyone."

Angela Tucker (11) felt hopeful for the future of the program after 10 years of competing in the sport.

"Many swimmers got close to achieving WPIAL cut times and records this year. It gives us something to work towards in future seasons. Winning multiple meets was gratifying since last year, we only won one," Tucker said.

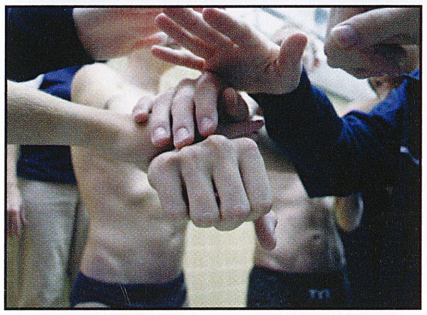
## BEFORE *during, and* AFTER

### *Hyped up...*

Goofing off with his teammates before a home meet, Levi Hansen (11), as usual, takes center stage. "Before the meet, we just have fun to get hyped up, but once we get in the water, we get serious," Hansen said. He took second place at WPIALs in the 200 freestyle with a new school record.

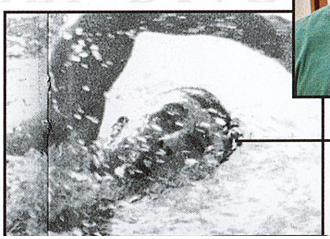
### *Mindset matters...*

To gain a good entrance, Ella McBryde (11) thinks about what her coach told her. "If I am swimming a sprint, I don't really think about anything, but if it's something long like the 500, I just think about what Coach Berb told me before I started," McBryde said. She most enjoyed swimming the 50 and 100 freestyles.



### *CAVS on three...*

Hyped up to swim, the boys put their hands in to scream 'Go CAVS' on the count of three. "Our favorite hype song this year was *Love Sosa*. We listened to it before every meet," Jacob Halter (11) said. The boys' team stood out as one of the most hyped up swim teams in the section.



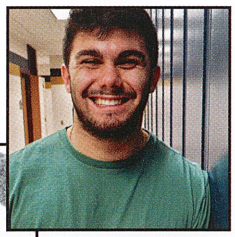
Captain Ken Holmes paces himself toward a victory in the 200-yard freestyle.

Photo: 1970 *Campus*, p. 127

If we had a diving team, why would you have wanted to join?

"I think that I would be good at it because I have a gymnastics background. I also want to stay flexible for track."

*CJ Hepler* (12)



# ROUGH TIMES
## on the hard wood

Committing fouls and getting fouled represent a significant role in the game of basketball. Players discussed a memorable "foul."

"My hand got stuck in an opponent's hair because she had really curly hair. I pulled on it to get my hand out, but the ref did not see it. It should have been a foul."

*Heather Sieczkowski* (12)

"I was pulling someone's jersey but didn't realize I was. Luckily, they didn't call a foul."

*Lauren Cyphert* (9)

"I was too excited thinking I made the shot that I didn't notice a girl had bent my wrist really far back. The girl got a foul called on her."

*Ja'Miya Henderson* (9)

"In my junior year, I full-on pushed a girl, and she fell to the ground hard. However, the ref did not call it."

*Dejah Burnett* (12)

"An opponent punched me in the eye and called me a not-so-nice word. She didn't even get a foul called on her."

*Diamondlee Melendez* (9)

Photo: *S. Smietana* (11)

### Hanan handshake...

As Cora Coleman's (10) name gets announced as a starter, Riley Hanan (12) greets Coleman with her patented handshake. Hanan said, "I ask my teammates what type of handshake they want to do ahead of time, but sometimes we have to figure it out on the fly." Hanan recalled the craziest one she did involved Karly Keller (12) and an air jump.

### Hopin' for an open...

In her attempt to find an open lane, Zoe Holm (10) dribbles to find a teammate. Holm said, "I like cheering on my friends from the bench and truly being happy with what they accomplish." In her free time, Holm found her way to Seven Springs about 15 times each winter for snowboarding and skiing.

Photo: *B. Hewitt* (11)

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GUAR

## beauty OF THE DRIVE

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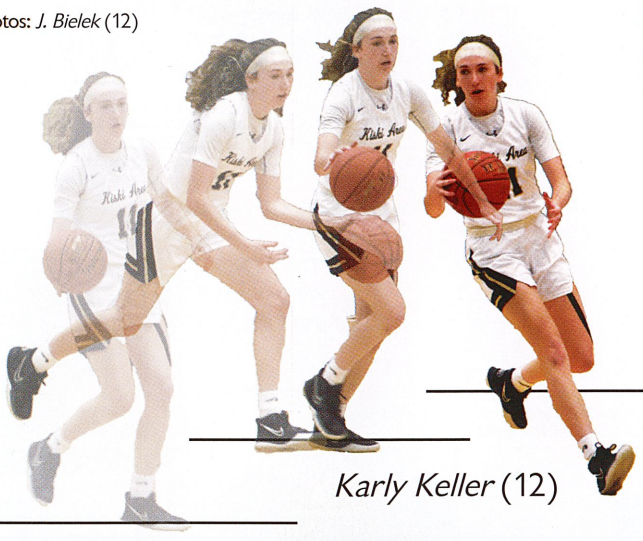


*Karly Keller* (12)

### Keep it alive...

During the first section game against Hampton, Abbie Johns (10) makes a strong attempt to keep the ball inbounds. "The atmosphere of playing basketball with my friends is what I enjoy most," Johns said. Even though she liked volleyball, she preferred the constant motion that went with basketball.

### In her face...

As Hampton's Claire Rodgers (11) attempts to find an open shooter, Rikiya Garcia-Broaden (9) tries to block the pass. Garcia-Broaden said, "I absolutely love playing basketball. I play it year round, in leagues, on open courts in the park, everywhere." She started her love for the game six years ago and hasn't found any other sport as enjoyable.

Photo: *S. Smietana* (11)

*Hand pass...*

While getting out of a double team, Madeline Joyce (9) finds an open shooter to make a three-point shot. Joyce said, "My biggest fear when I get defended is either not finding an open teammate or screwing up the pass." Joyce enjoyed throwing javelin and sprinting during track season, playing lacrosse, and playing volleyball during the spring sports season.

Photo: *J. Bielek* (12)

# RDING FRIENDS

## like family

### Lady hoopsters describe meaning of basketball

Story: *A. Carion* (11)

Swoosh! The modern concept of teammates became more referred to as family. In this case, the girls' basketball team established the idea that family did not always have to refer to blood.

Riley Hanan (12) said, "Basketball allows me to spend time with my teammates and helps me be a mentor to the underclassman." Riley has relished this role for the last six years.

A fellow teammate, Lexi Colaianni (11) said, "Basketball has changed my life by creating relationships with teammates that are like family to me. Basketball allows me to have things in common with people and make new memories that will always live on in my heart."

To add to the family aspect of the team, Isabella Horcicak (9) said, "My favorite part about playing the game consists of working together with my teammates every day and building good relationships with the coaches and the players. Basketball has given me so many great relationships, and it keeps me going mentally and physically. I have no idea where I would be without basketball or the wonderful friends it has given me."

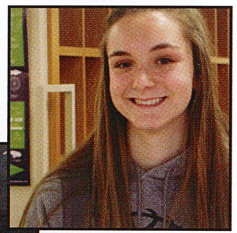
*Great moments...*

Isabella Horcicak (9) said, "I am sure I was telling Abbie [Johns] to 'Go to work. Go do your thing.'"

"In an AAU game, I pulled up about three feet from the top of the three-point arc and drained it. I'll admit, I didn't realize how far out I was when I launched it."

*Emma Peck* (10)

Describe the deepest three-point shot you've made in a game.



Moving the ball up the court, Donna Morgan (1982 grad) sets up the play.

Photo: 1982 *Campus*, p. 146

*Breaking through...*

During the Hampton game, Cora Coleman (10) tries to clear a lane for Madeline Joyce (9) to dribble through. Coleman said, "Whenever a team attempts to full court press us, we try to stay calm and cool to break the press." Coleman noted that the team got much better at breaking an opponent's press since they encountered it in almost every game last season.

# GIRLS' BASKETBALL

12/10 Burrell W 48-36
12/11 Homer Center L 41-57
12/17 Franklin Regional L 31-50
12/21 Hampton L 22-56
12/23 Connellsville W 57-33
12/28 Yough W 50-31
12/29 Knoch L 17-50
12/30 Ligonier Valley W 62-28
1/3 Armstrong L 46-58
1/6 Fox Chapel W 38-31
1/10 Indiana L 37-69
1/13 Mars L 31-43
1/21 Penn Hills L 41-50
1/24 Hampton L 36-60
1/26 Plum L 40-52
1/28 Armstrong L 38-52
1/31 Fox Chapel W 38-28
2/7 Mars L 36-54
2/9 Indiana L 55-61
2/11 Plum W 43-40
2/12 St. Joseph W 54-13
2/14 Freeport W 61-37

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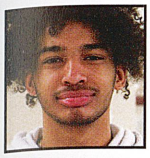
Photo: *B. Hewitt* (11)

Photo: *N. Shumaker* (Nikkala Anne Photography)

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

*Front Row:* Ja'Miya Henderson, McKenna Black, Lexiann Colaianni; *Row 2:* Rikiya Garcia-Broaden, Madeline Joyce, Karly Keller, Riley Hanan, Natavia Wilson, Isabella Horcicak; *Back Row:* Cora Coleman, Lauren Cyphert, Dejah Burnett, Heather Sieczkowski, Abigail Johns, Zoe Holm, Emma Peck. *Not Pictured:* Diamondlee Melendez.

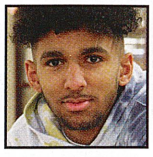


"I would have to say Penn Hills. They always trash talk from the start, and then, they play dirty. Jaden Dugger (#0) likes to intimidate us all, as well as our coach."

*Isaiah Gonzalez* (10)

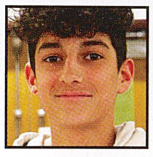
"No team gets on my nerves more than the Norwin Knights. At our home game with them, it got so heated that players almost started fighting each other. The student section got roudy, too."

*Trey Roberts* (9)



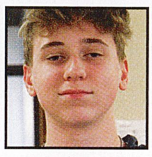
"McKeesport gets on my last nerve. I know a lot of kids on the team, so it's kind of a friendship battle, but not so much. When they go arrogant, we tended to crumble a bit."

*LeBryn Smith* (11)



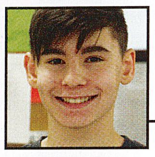
"The Norwin players drive us nuts. They talk a bunch of trash and do everything they can to get under our skin and into our head. It's really hard to zone it out when you're playing."

*Dimitri Spagnola* (9)



"The Armstrong Riverhawks are annoying. They are constantly cocky and hotheaded. We try to just attack as much as possible against them to penetrate to the hoop."

*Colin Keller* (9)



"Franklin Regional tends to get the best of us. It always starts off as a good game, but then they tend to get a big lead on us. It's annoying, and we just have to deal with it."

*Joseph DiNinno* (9)

# just can't stand them

Which team that you play gets on your last nerve, and why?

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## BOYS' VARSITY/JV BASKETBALL

*Front Row:* Brian Davenport, Brad Rupert, Joseph Miller, Brayden Dunmire, James Pearson, Joe Lukas, Logan Johnson, Nicholas Boylstein, Demiuex McFadden; *Back Row:* Dominic DiNinno, Mason Caldwell, Connor Flemm, LeBryn Smith, Owen Pearson, Jason Flemm, John Wolfe, Isaiah Gonzalez, Noah Thimons, Terry Martin. *Not Pictured:* Dylan Hutcherson, Jerald Martin.

## BOYS' 9TH GRADE BASKETBALL

*Front Row:* Tyler McDermott, Carson Heinle, Austin Bachar, Joseph DiNinno, Kody Cessna, Caden Witt, Dimitri Spagnola, Colin Keller, Jacob Musselman, Trey Roberts. *Not Pictured:* Connor Jordan, Landon Kucic.

Photos: *W. Jones* (Will Jones Photography)

## BOYS' VARSITY BASKETBALL

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1/11 Woodland Hills W 55-48
1/14 Penn Hills L 42-52
1/18 Latrobe W 77-51
1/21 Franklin Regional L 37-42
1/25 McKeesport L 73-92
1/28 Gateway W 64-56
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2/8 Penn Hills L 39-58
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2/21 Hampton L 60-66

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## HOOP HISTORY

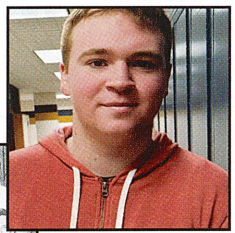
The 1985-86 boys' basketball team accomplished more than any team in KA history. The boys advanced to the State Title game, losing in a nail-biter against Carlisle 51-49.

Photo: 1986 *Campus*, p. 5146

"For as long as I remember, we've always had a hoop in my back yard, and my cousins and friends used to always come over to play."

*John Wolfe* (11)

Discuss your earliest memory ever dealing with basketball.



# NEW LEADERS AT *the top bring success*

Story: *M. Knapp* (11)

## Team enjoys tripling of win total to spark playoff berth

After tough seasons the last few years, the basketball team found their groove and meshed well with their new coach Corey Smith who they punched a ticket into the WPIAL playoffs. This represented the first trip for the seniors in their four years.

"It felt great to make the playoffs this year with our new coaches. We won 15 games and only won five last year, so making it to the playoffs was a big accomplishment for the team," senior Brayden Dunmire said. The boys' hard work and determination really paid off for them. They had many tactics and strategies to make it so far.

"I think we prepared really well, and we had a coach who showed us what we needed to do to get the job done," senior Dylan Hutcherson said. The coaches worked the boys hard, but it truly paid off in the long run. The bond that the team made will definitely last forever.

The senior boys felt compelled to share words of advice to the underclassmen joining the basketball team in the future.

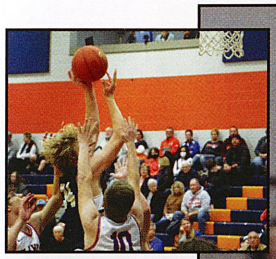
"Just play together, and have fun; the winning will come with that," Joe Lukas (12).

"Stay locked in, and a scholarship may come your way," Hutcherson said.

"Stay confident in your team and yourself, and keep your grades up," Dunmire said.

Even though the team bowed out in the first round of the playoffs, the building blocks put in place helped the team sustain a successful run.

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)



"When I drive the ball into traffic under the basket, I first want to make sure I finish the layup and then hopefully draw contact to go to the free throw line.'

*Mason Caldwell* (10)

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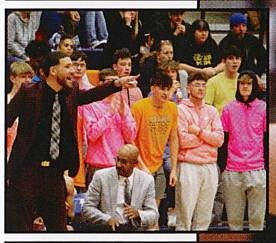

"It was weird watching the games since I had played the last three years on the team. My knee prevented me from playing this year. I missed the games, but the practices—not so much."

*Calvin Heinle* (12)

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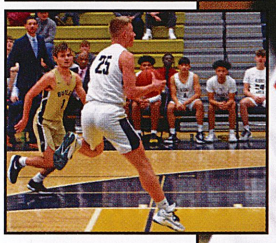
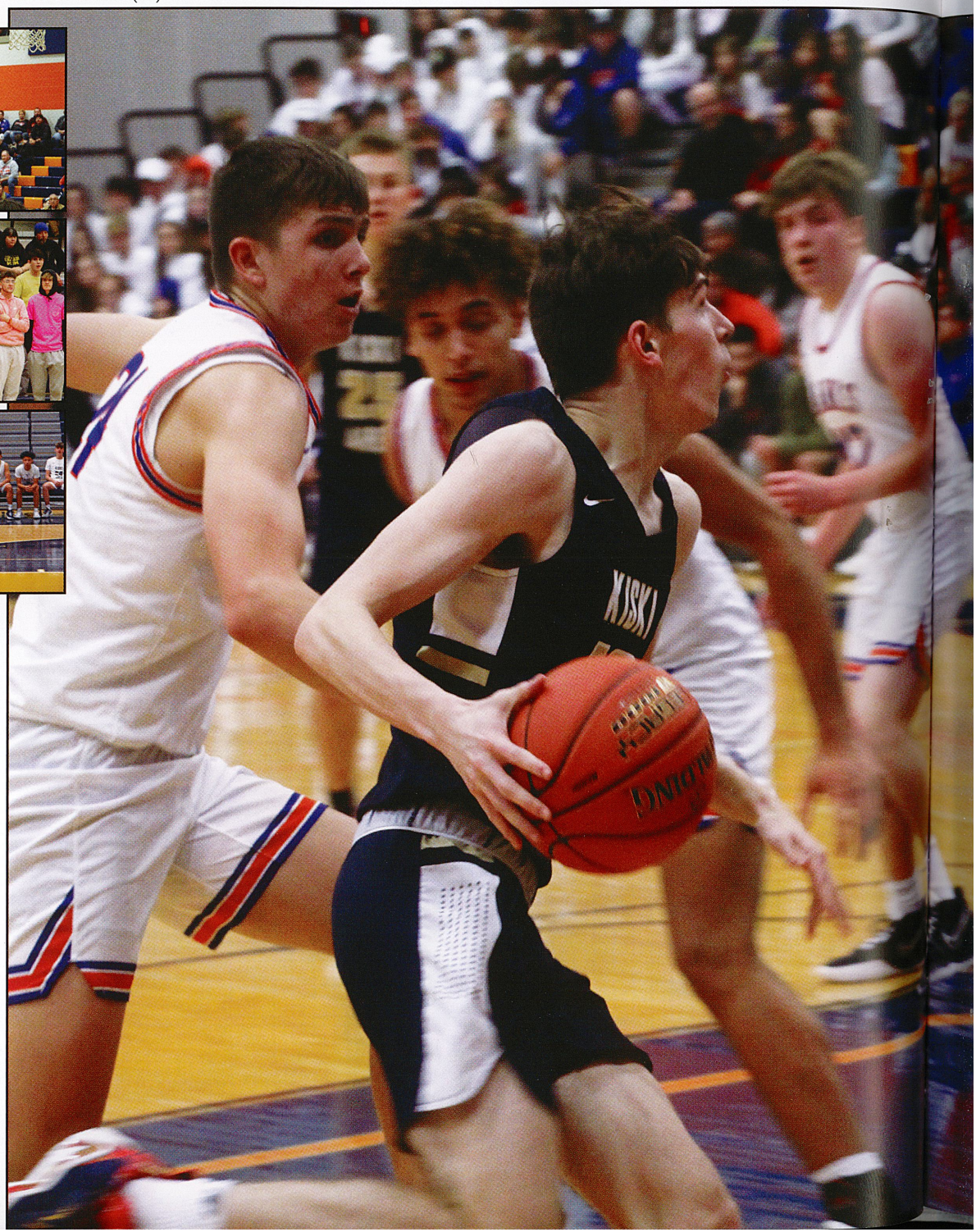


"I got the rebound and took it down the court. Eventually, we try to get the ball to Lebryn to set up the offensive play."

*Jason Flemm* (10)

Photo: *J. Bielek* (12)



## BEST *advice*

**"DON'T LET YOUR OPPONENT GET IN YOUR HEAD. KEEP GOING."**

*Joseph DiNinno* (9)

Photo: *S. Smietana* (11)

### *Overabundance of open...*

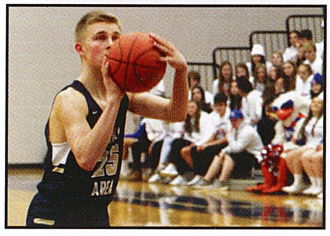
Against McKeesport, LeBryn Smith (12) grabs the rebound and goes right back up with it for a layup. "My teammates did a great job of boxing out so that I could get the easy layup attempt," Smith said. Having played basketball since the age of four, Smith hoped to play either baseball or football in college.

## The Free Throw

The gym gets silent (in a home game) or really raucous (on the road) as a player attempts free throws. Some players historically have had trouble with the uncontested shot while others thrive at the "charity stripe."

### *Shooting his shot...*

As John Wolfe (11) warms up before the game against Armstrong, he practices his foul shots. Wolfe said, "I've been playing basketball for five years, and I love it. Practicing free throws is necessary because you never know when it's your turn to make a crucial shot." Wolfe's pregame ritual included washing his hands before every game to ensure their dryness.



### *Hot shot...*

After getting fouled, Jason Flemm (10) looks to improve upon his free throw percentage. Flemm said, "When I am on the free throw line, I don't think, I just do what I do." Flemm suffered a season-ending torn ACL when he simply made a step, and his knee snapped.

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

### *Flying higher...*

During a scoring opportunity, Isaiah Gonzalez (10) gets free to shoot a layup. Gonzalez said, "After getting a lot of quality minutes with the varsity team last year, I have a much better understanding of playing at the high school level this year." Gonzalez appreciated the huge improvement on a team level.

## The Layup

**The Block:** Brayden Dunmire (12) takes pride in his defensive skills. "When I can block a shot, it's a game changer. It gets the adrenaline going and can get the crowd pumped up," Dunmire said.

**The Layup:** James Pearson (12) has shown his proclivity at making layups. In modeling Pearson, Connor Jordan (9) said, "I practice shooting the ball off the class from the closest free throw box in the paint. I try to find the perfect angle for my layups."

### *All for paps...*

Running past Cadin Olsen, the number one quarterback in the state from Armstrong, Joe Lukas goes for a layup. "I keep choosing the jersey number 12 because that was the number I wore the year my Pap died," Lukas (12) said. Lukas played basketball since first grade and planned on attending college for Accounting and Pre Law.

## The Block

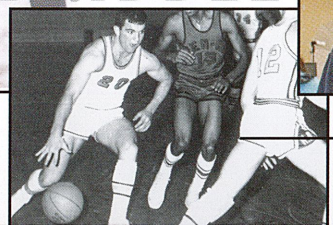
A determined Joe McCain (1966 grad) dribbles towards the basket to attempt a shot.

Photo: 1965 *Campus*, p. 151

Describe your comfort level with dribbling with your offhand.

"I feel comfortable dribbling with my offhand because I have practiced it a lot."

*Colin Keller* (9)



# anatomy OF THE GAME

# PNC PARK PICS

## 7-7 versus Seneca Valley

4/17/2021 - When you think back to the opportunity to play in a major league stadium, discuss the thoughts from that evening.

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

*Looking to hit the gap...*

As the pitch approaches, Owen Werkeiser's (12) eyes light up at a ball he thinks he can put a charge into. Werkeiser said, "When I'm batting, I'm very relaxed, and I am just happy to be there and play." Werkeiser manned the centerfield position in a fashion similar to Andrew McCutchen's time with the Pittsburgh Pirates.

*Calling off a teammate...*

Making sure no one gets in his way, Nathan Witt (10) calls off Wyatt Krogh (10) in order to make the catch. "My favorite part about it is the competition of the game when I'm on the field. I'm always very happy when playing the game," Witt said. While Witt did catch the pop up, the umpire had called the infield fly rule, which immediately resulted in an out.

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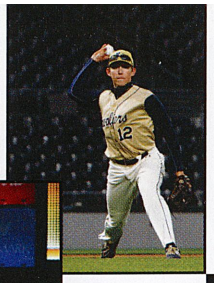
"I thought that playing at PNC Park was awesome. The stadium made it feel so much bigger."

*Mason Ross* (12)



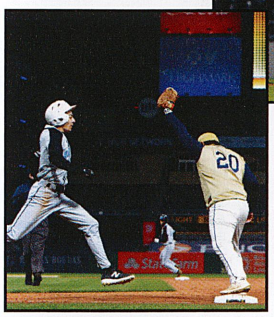
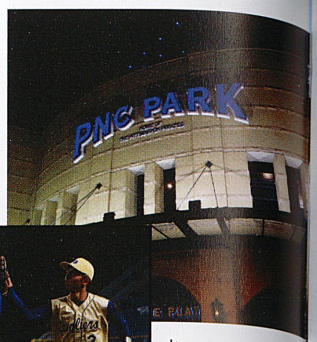


Photo: *Deacon Blues*

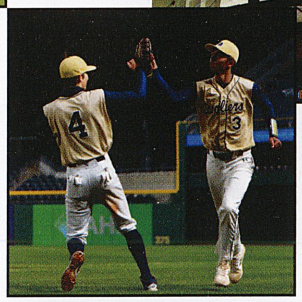
When we played Seneca Valley at PNC Park, I felt like we couldn't be beat."

*Carter Leviski* (10)




"It was an experience I'll never forget. Playing on the big league field is something every baseball player should get to do."

*Jacob Bucci* (11)



It was a once-in-a-lifetime experience, but I wouldn't mind doing it again."

*LeBryn Smith* (11)

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# BEST *advice*

**"WHEN SOMETHING BAD HAPPENS IN A GAME, LEAVE IT IN THE PAST; THERE'S A LOT OF GAME LEFT."**

*Blake Fritz* (10)

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

### *Inside pitch...*

As he steps back from the pitch, Jacob Bucci's (11) reflexes prevent him from getting hit. Bucci said, "When I am batting, I'm very focused. I try to stay calm and not think or stress too much." Bucci ended up hitting the ball to the fence, nearly achieving a home run.

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

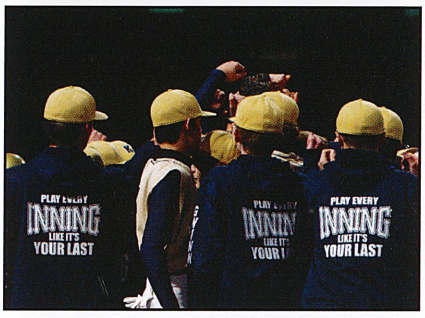
## BEFORE, *during, and* AFTER

### *Reflect...*

During the National Anthem, the team shows their respect for their country. Mason Ross (12) said, "When we are standing on the line, that's really when it hits me that we're about to play. We have to flip the switch and get into game mode." Ross appreciated the ability to take a moment and show respect for the military.

### *Strategize...*

Before a batter, Coach Mark Fairman goes over the strategy with Connor Flemm (11) and Jacob Smith (10). Flemm said, "When we have a talk with the coach during the game, we usually go over the play and what pitches would be the best to throw against a certain player." After the meeting, the game plan worked and Smith struck the batter out.




### *Unite...*

After the 3-3 tie against Seneca Valley, the team huddles after the game. Dom DiNinno (12) said, "Gathering together pre- and post-game helps the team unite for a common goal—to bring home wins." Once the huddle broke, the team enjoyed the ride home from the hard fought game.

# PITCHING WITH A *Pirate twist at PNC Park*

Story: *R. Frye* (11)

### *Loosen up...*

Prior to the first pitch, Nathan Witt (10) throws the ball to first baseman Jacob Bucci (10) during pregame. "It feels good to catch and throw the ball with my boys," Witt said. He enjoyed playing the game and spending team time with his friends.

### *Looking for the hoof...*

While looking for little trickery in his pitch, Jacob Smith (10) attempts to put a little something extra on the rotation of the ball. Smith said, "I had to step in and play some catcher when Connor Flemm (11) broke his leg." Smith experienced the uniqueness of playing both ends of the pitching and catching battery.

## Baseball team enjoyed rare opportunity of major proportions

Devastating many. Changing lives. Flipping plans. COVID-19 altered the schedules of people, schools, and sports teams across the globe. As for the baseball team, their season started with a little twist.

"Instead of going to Florida, we went to PNC Park to play a game this season. I personally think that PNC was a better deal than Florida because it is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to play at the same stadium that a major league baseball team plays," Owen Werkeiser (12) said.

For Nathan Witt (9), he would have preferred to have played where most people would not.

Witt said, "I would have loved to play in Florida because it is further away. I feel that the further away we play, the closer our team gets."

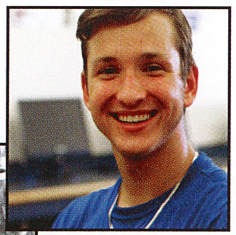
As for LeBryn Smith (11), he had a different perspective on things. "The most interesting part of the PNC Park visit was the fact that we could not warm up on the grass. We had to warm up on the warning track. However, the best part of the season was getting to play on the PNC Park field."

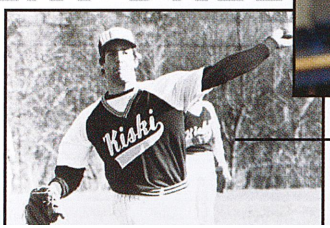
Even though COVID-19 changed some schedules around, the baseball team worked around the minor inconveniences that enabled them to play at the home of the Pittsburgh Pirates.

"I played for one year when I was five years old. What I remember most is hitting the ball off the tee and running to first base. That's all I remember."

*Hunter Heinack* (10)

Discuss your most vivid tee-ball memory.






After one of the most successful seasons in several years, the MVP of the 1981 baseball team went to Marty Garda (1981 grad).

Photo: 1982 *Campus*, p. 140

*Two for Tuesday...*

In the game against Gateway, Jacob Bucci (10) smacks a ball that bounces over the right field fence for a ground rule double. Bucci said, "As a first baseman, I try to be a power hitter. Last season, I believe I hit seven home runs." Bucci named making the playoffs his top goal for the team for the upcoming season.

Photo: *B. Hewitt* (11)

# SOFTBALL

3/29 Woodland Hills (away)
3/31 Fox Chapel Area (away)
4/1 Butler Area (away)
4/4 Armstrong (home)
4/6 Plum (away)
4/8 Penn Hills (home)
4/11 Indiana Area (away)
4/13 Franklin Regional (home)
4/15 Knoch (away)
4/19 Woodland Hills (home)
4/25 Armstrong (away)
4/27 Plum (home)
4/29 Penn Hills (away)
5/2 Indiana Area (home)
5/4 Franklin Regional (away)
5/6 Connellsville Area (home)
5/9 Gateway (home)
5/12 Highlands (home)

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

**SOFTBALL** *Front Row:* Isabel Ramos, Madison Leith, Ashlee Bair; *Back Row:* Trinity Seibel, Mackenzie Favero, Hannah Simpson, Kaylee Musco, Isabella Delia, Rylee Yeager, Samantha Roolf, Addison Bien, Alyssa Seibel. *Not pictured:* MacKenzie Rainey, Kendra Smail.

"As a pitcher, I would have to say my rise ball. I learned all my other pitches before that one, and I've spent years getting to the point where I'm confident in it."

*Hannah Simpson* (11)

"Playing shortstop requires a lot of range and aggressiveness toward the ball. It took me years to master short hops. They don't give me much trouble any more."

*Mackenzie Favero* (11)

"It took me quite awhile to recognize what to swing at and what not to swing at. I had multiple strikeouts before I figured it all out. It's still a work in progress, but I'm much better now."

*Ashlee Bair* (12)

"It's really hard to pick just one. Still, I would say the gap hits between shortstop and third. It's nice that Kenz is always there in case I miss it. They tend to get the best of me."

*Kaylee Musco* (11)

"I've always had a problem with closing my eyes as the ball arrives when I catch. I've had to train myself to keep my eyes open to make sure that I have a solid handle on it."

*Bella Delia* (10)

"I would have to say that it would involve pitching. I've always seems to have problems with the right release point for the pitch, no matter which type it happens to be."

*MacKenzie Rainey* (10)

# over and over and over

What skill took you the longest to master?

Photos: *W. Jones* (Will Jones Photography)

## VARSITY BASEBALL

*Front Row:* Anthony DePanicis, Jacob Smith, Jacob Bucci, Brad Rupert, Nathan Witt, Connor Flemm; *Row 2:* Coach Nick Luciano, Josh Ardellitz, Dominic DiNinno, LeBryn Smith, Owen Werkeiser, William Uhing, Coach James Christie; *Row 3:* Coach Bob Bucci, Coach Aaron Albert; *Back Row:* Wyatt Krogh, Mason Ross, Blake Fritz, Carter Leviski. *Not pictured:* Luke Emmerling, Dalin Graham.

## VARSITY BASEBALL

3/25 Indiana Area (away)
3/28 Butler Area (away)
3/30 Penn Hills (away)
4/4 Gateway (away)
4/5 Gateway (home)
4/7 Fox Chapel Area (away)
4/8 Freeport Area (away)
4/11 McKeesport Area (away)
4/12 McKeesport Area (home)
4/19 Penn Trafford (home)
4/20 Penn Trafford (away)
4/22 Knoch (home)
4/23 Seneca Valley (home)
4/25 Greater Latrobe (away)
4/26 Greater Latrobe (home)
4/28 Connellsville Area (home)
5/2 Franklin Regional (away)
5/3 Franklin Regional (home)
5/9 Burrell (home)
5/12 Armstrong (away)

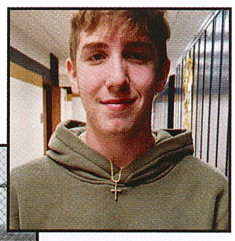
*Front Row:* Dimitri Spagnola, Austin Bachar, Tylar Hanley, Brady Lutes, Jonathan Walker, Trey Roberts, Joseph DiNinno; *Back Row:* William Uhing, Noah Matson, Carter Fuhrer, Wyatt Krogh, Dominick Hand, Brad Rupert, Coach Chuck Vocke.

## JV BASEBALL

Which baseball movie do you consider the best of all time?

"The best baseball movie of all time is *The Sandlot*. I love it because it shows the game really well and how much fun it is."

*Brad Rupert* (10)



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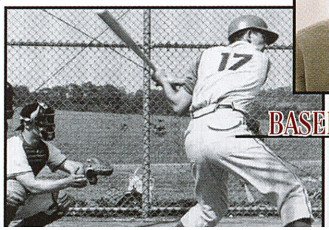

Senior John Voyten attempts to knock the ball out of the park in a home game.

Photo: 1965 *Campus*, p. 158

# YOU HAVE TO PICK
## *one of the three...*

What phase of softball—batting, running the bases, or fielding—do you enjoy the most?

"Fielding... as a pitcher, if I am pitching well, I am controlling what happens to the team on the field."

*Rylee Yeager* (10)

"Hitting... Because every time I hit the ball, I get to run the bases."

*Mackenzie Rainey* (10)

"I have a lot of good memories from some big hits, so I would say batting."

*Madyson Hall* (12)

"Batting... it is rewarding to get a hit to help the team out."

*Madison Leith* (12)

"I enjoy hitting the ball as hard as I can to see how far it goes."

*Isabella Delia* (10)

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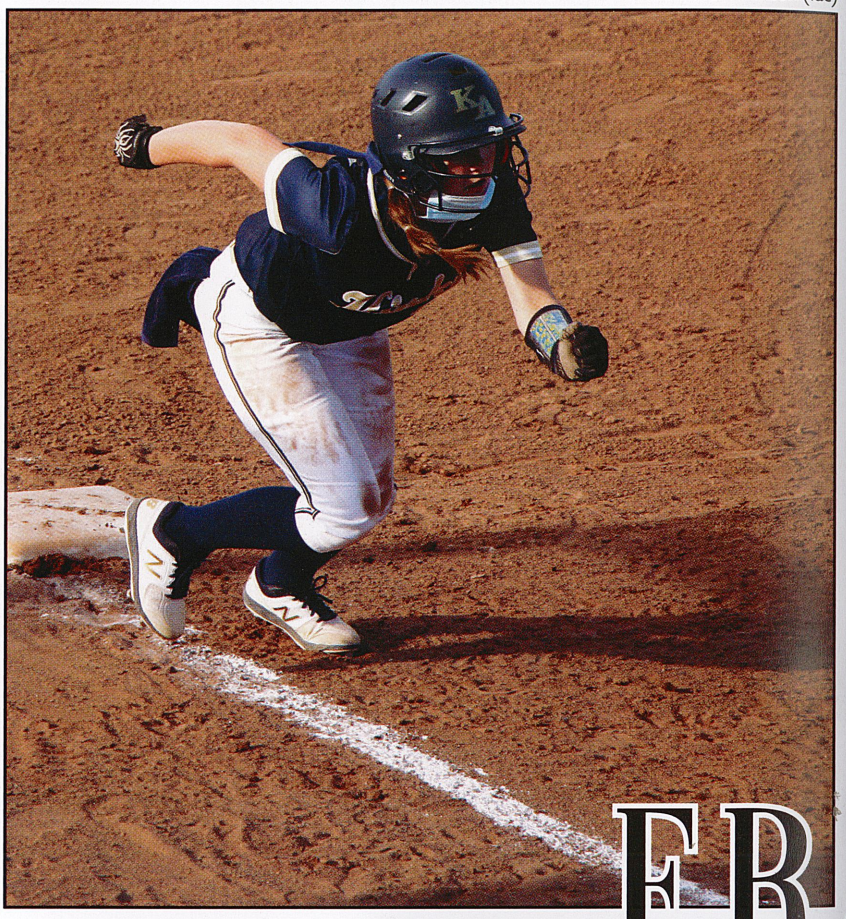

### *Send her to second...*

While in ready position, Ashlee Bair (12) gets to field the ball if it comes her way at second base. With regards to her teammates, Bair said, "We all get along, and we are very close, especially because of COVID. We all took it for granted and are happy to be back." Bair has always played and preferred second base.

### *Five alive jive...*

Hyping each other up, Hannah Simpson (11) and Kaylee Musco (11) give each other a high five. Musco said, "Before every inning, the whole infield gathers at the pitcher's mound and we high five each other and encourage each other to have a good inning." Musco started her softball career nine years ago.

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

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# BEST *advice*

**"WHEN YOU'RE BATTING, MAKE SURE YOU TURN YOUR OUTER KNEE TOWARDS YOUR INNER KNEE."**

*Trinity Seibel* (10)

### *Down the line...*

Getting a good leadoff, Mackenzie Favero (11) puts herself in position to score. "I really like batting because it's a time when it's you against everyone else," Favero said. After her freshman year, Favero moved from second base to the shortstop position.

### *Friendship on the field...*

Crouched down in position, Laci Safranyos (11), prepares to catch the ball pitched by Hannah Simpson (11). "Hannah makes softball more fun. She is my best friend, and I wouldn't want to catch for anyone else," Safranyos said. Simpson and Safranyos sat beside each other on the team bus coming back from an away game in 7th grade and haven't stopped talking since.

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

### Power pitch...

As Hannah Simpson (11) tosses a fastball to catcher Laci Safranyos (11), she looks to add to her strikeout total. Simpson said, "I chose to play softball because of the awesome experiences I get to have. Without it, I wouldn't have had a lot of the opportunities I was able to receive." Simpson appreciated all of the relationships she made playing the game.

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

# MING UP

## emotions on the field

Players discuss the feelings they get from playing the game

Story: *L. Getty* (12)

The Lady Cavs softball team fought through a difficult 2021 season, finishing with a well-fared 5-10 record.

Senior outfielder Madison Leith (12) has played softball since she entered sixth grade, so she knew how to remain strong despite the challenges presented during their various games.

"When approaching a game, my nerves definitely play a role in my performance. If I'm nervous, I tend to play worse. However, I know I have plenty of opportunities to make it up to my teammates," Leith said.

The team had to hold their bravado to ensure emotions did not interfere with their gameplay.

"I'm a catcher through-and-through, I have been playing softball for 10 years, and my feelings still play a big factor in my overall performance. I try not to think about my nerves and put my all into the game," Laci Safranyos (11) said.

The resilient Lady Cavs played their games wholeheartedly. They did their best not to let their emotions prohibit them from giving the game their all.

### Bunting in beast mode...

During her at-bat, Mackenzie Favero (11) attempts to lay down a bunt. "Depending on the defense, I try to bunt the ball where the other team isn't," Favero said. She worked hard on bunting during the off-season to improve her chances to get on base.

"I like facing competition. There is no better feeling than playing a hard fought game and winning, especially if it's Franklin Regional."

*Ashlee Bair* (12)

What do you find most appealing about softball?

WINNING

Ready to steal third, Brooke Churma intently watches the pitcher in a game against the McKeesport Tigers. Concerning batting, Churma said, "Never let your fear of striking out keep you from playing the game."

Photo: 2010 *Campus*, p. 150

# SPARE A PLACE
## in your heart for bowling

Story: *S. Zanotti* (11)

### Rebuilt team bonds over successful season

Competing on any sports teams at the school represented more than just playing the game. The bowling team used their sport to build friendships, leadership skills, and even personal traits. Girls' team captain Savannah Renwick (11) credited bowling for helping to further develop her personality.

"My experience with bowling has been life-changing, given me some lessons that I carry with me, and has been extremely rewarding," Renwick said.

Renwick, the only returning member of the girls' team, applied her experiences in hopes of self-betterment. She added that even after her three consecutive years of bowling, improvement is imperitive, "I made it to States and Regionals last year. It was very rewarding but also showed me that I needed more practice. This year, I'm determined to do well and be able to do better than I did last year."

The girls' team bowled in the Westmoreland County Coaches' Association bowling Tournament and demonstrated phenomenal performance. Overall, the girls credited their work to the dedication and support from their coaches and fellow bowlers.

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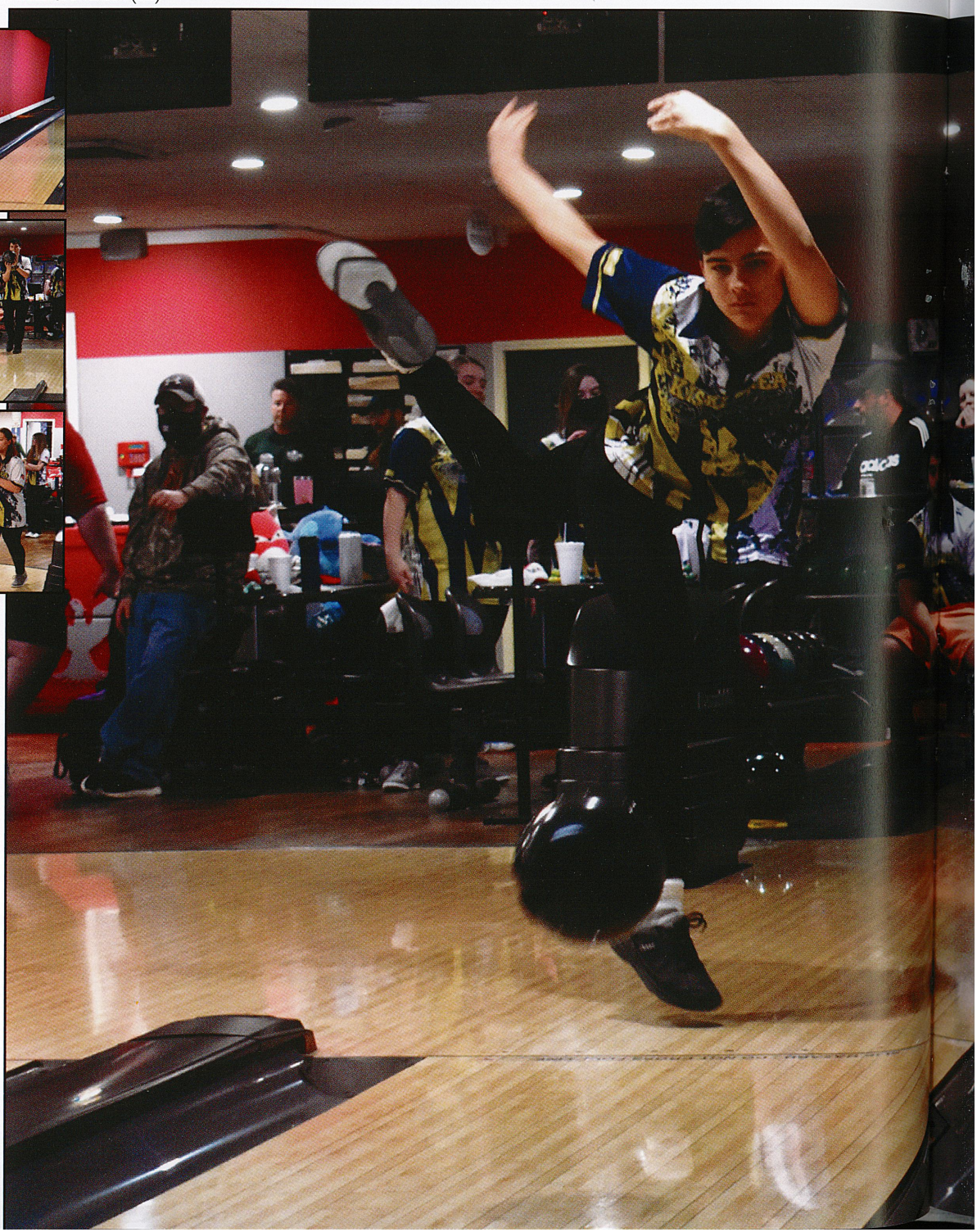

"I have been bowling for four years, and my favorite part is hanging out with my friends."
*Brady Lutes* (12)

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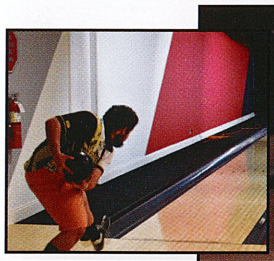

"The hardest thing about bowling, for me, was consistency and hitting the same spot every time."
*Jackson Bielek* (12)

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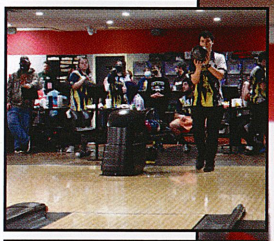
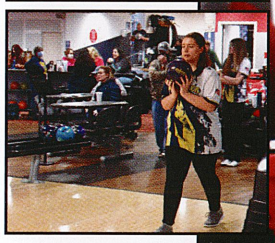


"I look forward to improving and going to not just the team's tournament, but the singles tournament, as well."
*Phoebe Richard* (10)

Photo: *C. Mydock* (2021 grad)



## LUCKY duck

The lucky duck named Thirteen sat at the table with the girls' bowling team at every match. If Thirteen wasn't on the table, one of the girls always noticed. The team even named him after a running joke that Zeller's lucky number was 13.

"I originally got Thirteen from my very first states tournament. I decided that Thirteen was my lucky duck for bowling because I would always do really well in tournaments that I brought Thirteen to," Zeller said.

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

### Focus...

While working on her throw, Peyton Martin (10) focuses on the lane. "The most stressful thing about bowling is when the scores are really close, and the winner of the game is the one who wins the overall match." Martin said. The thing which inspired Martin to improve most came from the constant support from their coaches and teammates.

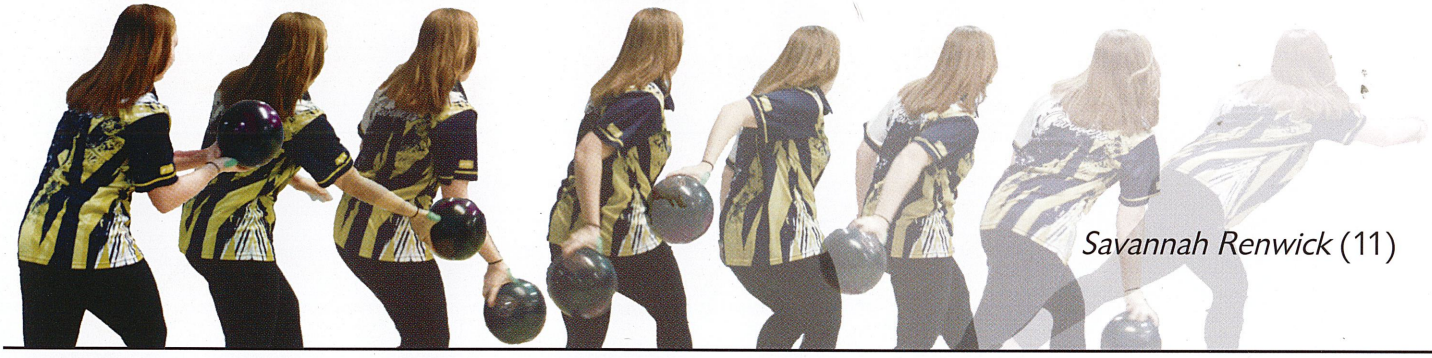
### Determination...

Focusing on his mark, Nickson McDermott (11) tries to block out distractions. "I have been bowling for seven years, and my highest game this year was 251," McDermott said. McDermott's favorite game took place when the boys' team managed to win a game with only four players compared to the other team which had five players.

### Anticipation...

While watching the bowling ball roll down the lane, Alyssa Leya (9) anticipates the pins that should fall down. "My favorite game was the one when we beat Deer Lakes because it was interesting and close but also very fun," Leya said. She started bowling four years ago after her pap prompted her interest in bowling.

DEER LAKES BOWL
Food Family Fun
Cheswick, Pa



*Savannah Renwick* (11)

# anatomy OF A THROW

### Support team...

Hoping for a strike, Nick Debich (9) skillfully throws his ball down the lane. "My favorite part about bowling is the environment and that all the people are so nice and kind," Debich said. He started bowling in a little league at the age of five, but he bowled in his first high school league this year.

## Reflection by *Savannah Renwick* (11)

When throwing a bowling ball, I first stand and make sure my feet are on the correct dot. I hold my ball off to my right, take a deep breath, and line up the ball with the correct arrow. As I push the ball out, I take my first step. The ball goes back as I take my second step and forward on the third step. I release it on my fourth. Upon that release, I stay in the pose as the ball heads towards the pins. I then watch the ball to make sure it hits the mark.

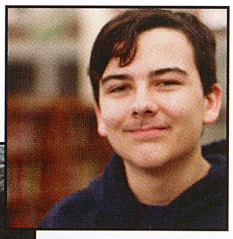
At Wildlife Lanes in Lower Burrell, Cameron Wickham sets himself for his approach.

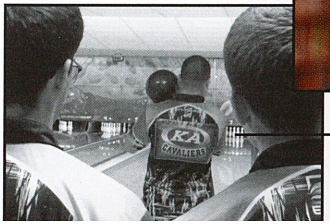
Photo: 2019 *Campus*, p. 179

"When I was bowling in a competition with my travel team, I strung together six straight strikes."

*Nick Debich* (9)

Discuss your longest consecutive strike streak.





# BOWLING

*Front Row:* Phoebe Richard, Savannah Renwick, Veronica Flanagan, Peyton Martin, Haley Zeller; *Back Row:* Nicholas Debich, Brady Lutes, Nickson McDermott, Jackson Bielek, Alyssa Leya.

Photo: *L. Mamros* (par)

Photo: *T. Hill* (10)

# TRAPSHOOTING

*Front Row:* Taygen Hill, Larissa Martz, Jesse Fleishner, Ty Conner, Cole Graf, Joseph Galo, Cody Kuehn, John Glunt, Tyler Patterson, Johnathan Toy; *Back Row:* Thaddeus Decock, Michael Reed, Laszlo Dickey, Mason Ross, Brady Lutes, Noah Matson, Ryan Ridenour, Evan Ridenour, Pailey Vitale, David Shevlin, Nathan Meyer.

Photo: *L. Mamros* (par)

## BOY'S BOWLING

12/9 Deer Lakes L 0-7
12/11 Bye W 7-0
12/15 Butler L 0-7
12/23 North Allegheny L 0-7
1/15 Bye W 7-0
1/20 Butler L 0-7
1/21 Deer Lakes L 2-5
1/26 North Allegheny L 0-7
1/28 Shaler L 0-7
2/2 Shaler L 0-7

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## GIRL'S BOWLING

12/9 Deer Lakes L 0-7
12/11 Bye W 7-0
12/15 Butler W 7-0
12/23 North Allegheny W 7-0
1/15 Bye W 7-0
1/20 Butler W 7-0
1/21 Deer Lakes W 4-3
1/26 North Allegheny W 7-0
1/28 Shaler W 7-0
2/2 Shaler W 4-3

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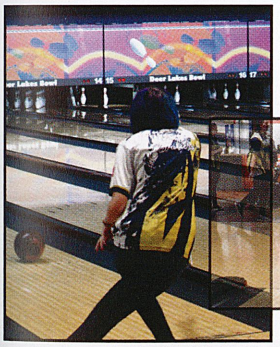
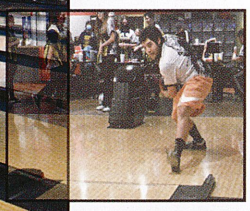
*Eyes on the target...*

Locked and loaded, Thaddeus Decock (12) eyes up his clay target at West Penn Sportsmen's Club on route 286 in Murrysville. Decock said, "The satisfaction from the ecstasy of hitting the clay is unrivaled by other activities that I do at school." Outside of shooting for the school, Decock used to hunt with his Uncle Jeff on their land in Markle.



"I try to work with my team to get their advice on what I might be doing wrong. You can't let a bad game get in your head, or it can affect your second and third game. They always seem to come through for me."

*Peyton Martin* (10)

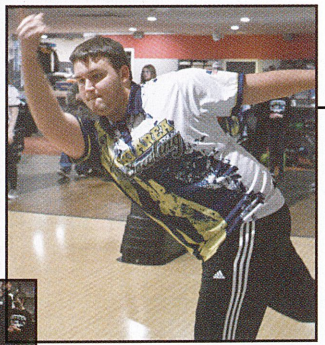


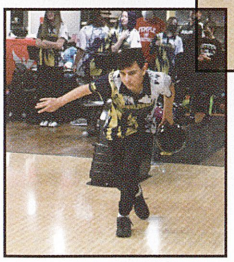
"I try to use the down lane markers to figure out how to adjust my approach. It might take a few throws to figure it out, but that seems to work for me the best."

*Brady Lutes* (12)

"I rebound from a bad first game by keeping my mindset good. I have fun with my team and try and stay positive. That way, one bad game doesn't turn into three."

*Veronica Flanagan* (10)





# When it all seems to go bad

## What do you do to try to rebound from a horrible first game?

"First, you have to figure out what caused your first game to fail. Then, you have to make adjustments to correct it. Sometimes, it might take until the third game to get it all right."

*Nickson McDermott* (11)

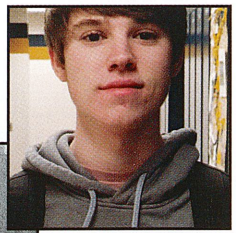
"It's hard to keep a bad first game out of your head. Basically, I just try to think of my second game as my new first game. That's actually happened to me a few times this season. You can't let a bad first game get the best of you."

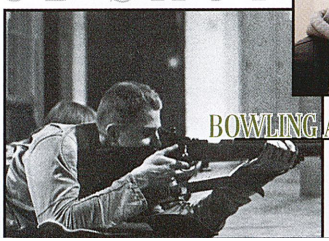
*Nick Debich* (9)

## What season do you prefer most in hunting?

"Even though we hunt coyotes and skunks near the golf course where we live, I prefer hunting deer with a rifle."

*Jaden Robshaw* (12)





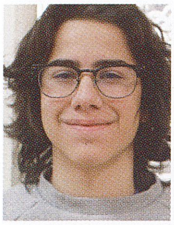
## GOOD SHOT

From a 50 ft. distance, Harvey Fishel bears down on an important meet shot. The Rifle Team ended their record with a 4-4 scorecard.

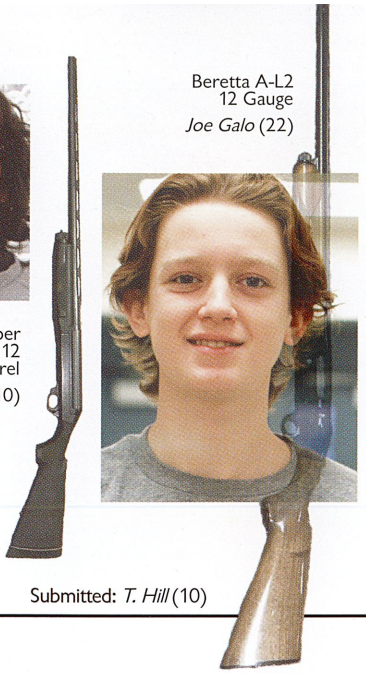
Photo: 1971 *Campus*, p. 115

# DEFINITELY MY *weapon of choice*

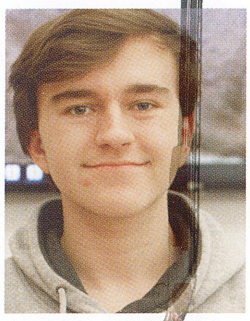
Discuss the specific gun you use for trap shooting?



Benelli Super Black Eagle 12 Gauge 28 Barrel
*Cole Graf* (10)



Beretta A-L2 12 Gauge
*Joe Galo* (22)



Browning Citori CX White Over and Under
*Cody Kuehn* (22)

Ithaca 12 Gauge
*Johnathan Toy* (22)

Photo: *T. Hill* (10)

Submitted: *T. Hill* (10)

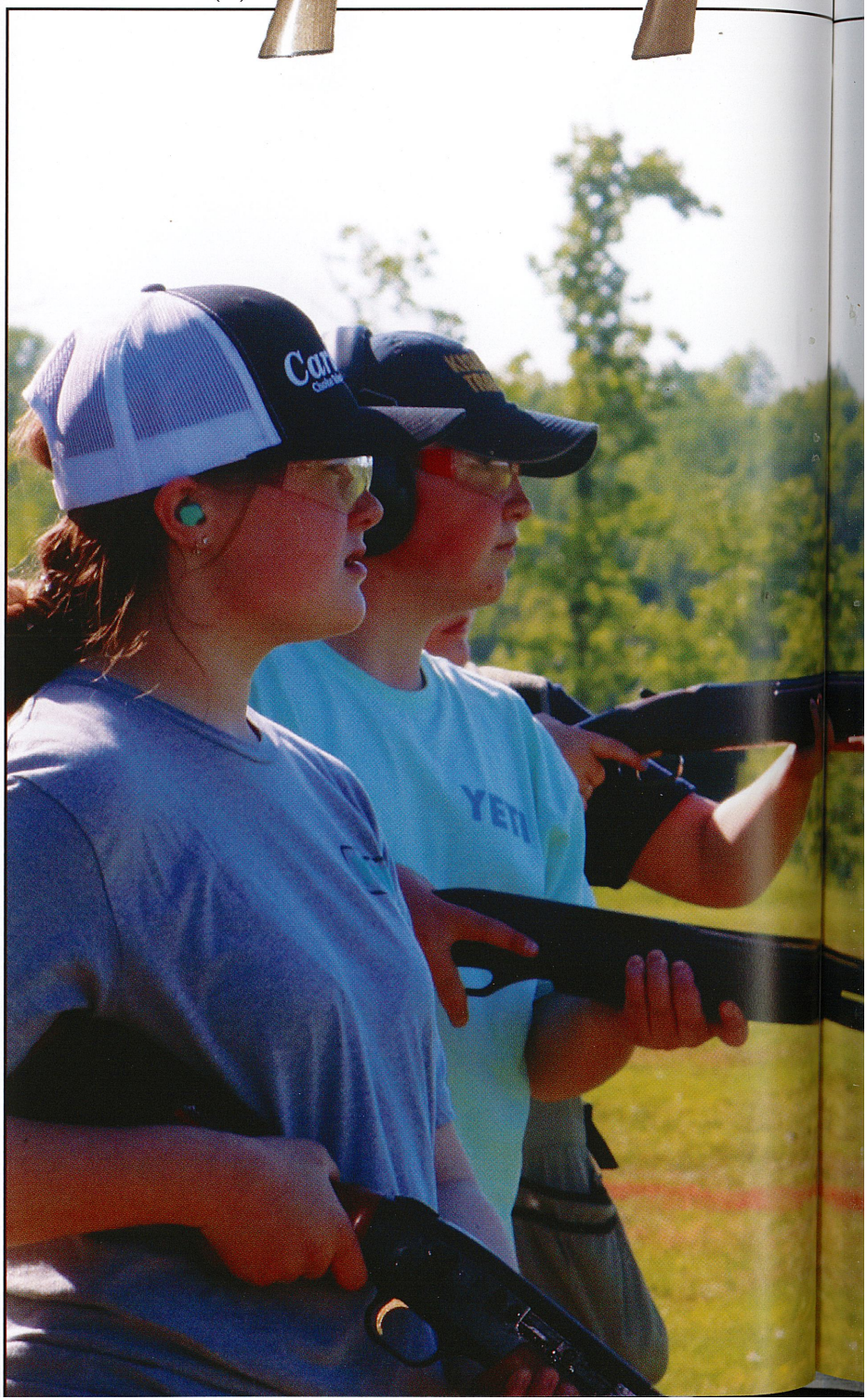
*Aim high...*

While he waits for the release of the clay pigeon, Evan Ridenour (9) looks to score on his shot. Ridenour said, "Trap shooting is fun, and even though I feel I could've done better, I have definitely improved from last spring to the fall season." Ridenour and Ty Conner (9) competed in an individual tournament in Erie over the summer and Ridenour scored his first 25/25.

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

*Shooting for states...*

As a rookie shooter on the trap shooting team, Pailey Vitale (12) gets used to the feel of the .12 gauge her father got her at the start of the spring season. "I feel I improved a lot from last spring to this fall. I find this to be a fun sport, and I am looking forward to the upcoming spring season," Vitale said. Vitale and 11 others went to Elysburg over the summer and competed at the state tournament. Vitale finished second in the junior varsity girls' division.



## BEST *advice*

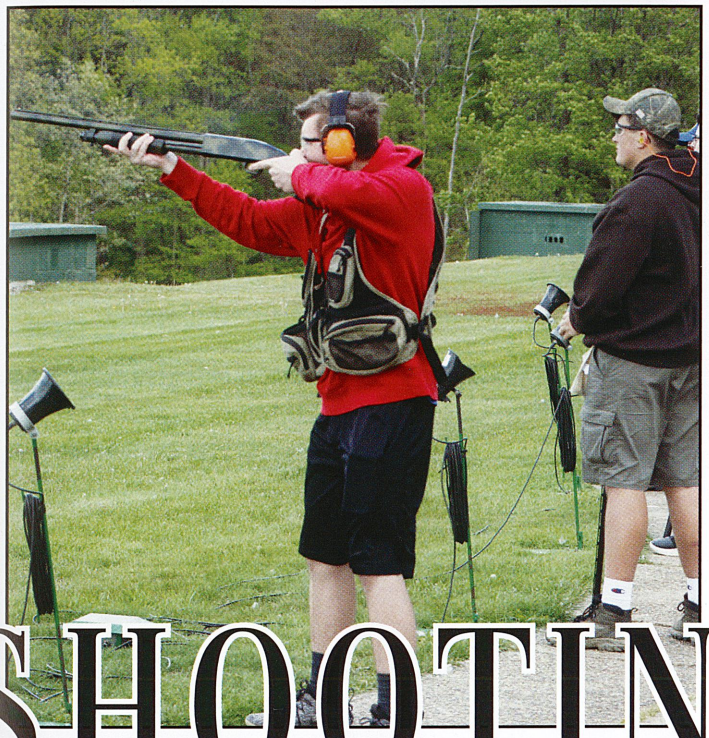
**"TAKE YOUR TIME, BE SURE TO FOCUS, BLOCK OUT ALL DISTRACTIONS, AND ALWAYS FOLLOW THE BIRD."**

*Jesse Fleishner* (12)

Photo: *T. Hill* (10)

### Wise eyes...

In his attempt to hit the target, Caleb Custer (11) takes aim with his Mossberg pump action shotgun. "I just need to focus on what I am doing and what is in front of me," Custer said. He got his hunting license in order to participate on the trap shooting team and preferred the sport of target shooting over hunting.



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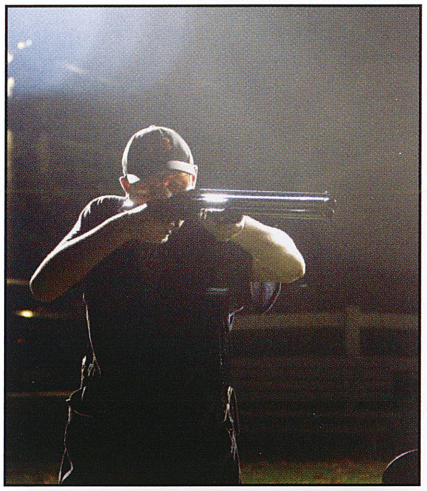


Photos: *R. Ridenour* (11)

HOW do you SEE IT?

### Different view...

While taking in some extra practice at night, Ryan Ridenour (11) focuses on shooting as many birds as possible. Ridenour said, "Shooting the birds (clay pigeons) at night is different from shooting during the day. The lights illuminate them for a different look." Ridenour started trap shooting four years ago, before the school team formed.

### Point of View...

During a break at practice, Coach Jeff Cortileso instructs Ryan Ridenour (11) with some valuable pointers. "I shot with Jeff at the Vandergrift Gun Club. He wanted to start a team and got enough interested students that we had to move our home gun club to the West Penn Gun Club," Ridenour said. The larger size of the West Penn Sportsmen's Club enabled the team to assemble everyone on Tuesday evenings for their competitions.

# SHOOTING FOR A *fine finish in new sport*

Story: *S. Zanotti* (12)

### One and done...

After having not shot a gun in years, Lucas Kowalczyk (11) uses his dad's 12 gauge to compete on the trap shooting team. Kowalczyk said, "I participated during the spring season, but I wasn't very good at it. I improved some, but I didn't stay with it for the fall season." Kowalczyk used the extra time from not doing trap shooting to focus on his classes.

### In her sights...

Shooting alongside Max Mottura (8) and Logan Bigley (8), Taygen Hill (10) gets ready to shoot at the clay pigeon when it gets released. Hill said, "I focus on which way the bird comes out and how far in front of the bird I need to be." Starting with the team during the spring season, Hill recently recorded scores of 23/25 and 24/25. She paid attention to what she did differently to achieve those scores.

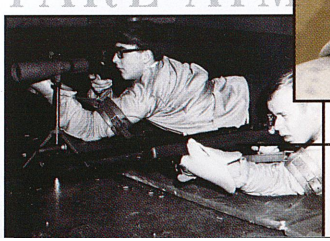
## Members of new trap shooting team qualify for States in first year

As a new sport on the slate of activities, trap shooting attempted to carve out its niche in the school's landscape. Even with the newness of it, some team members displayed some impressive skills. During the spring season, the team successfully made it to the state competition held in Elysburg, Pennsylvania.

Laszlo Dickey (12) recalled his trip to States. "I had tons of fun; it was a blast. Even though I didn't actually win, the trip alone was a win in my eyes. I'm proud to say that we made it that far, " Dickey said.

However, his teammate Pailey Vitale (12) placed second in the Junior Varsity Girls' Division. "The win felt really rewarding because all of my practicing had paid off, and the team was really supportive, so that was awesome." Vitale said. She represented the trap shooting team as the only female to compete, as well as the only team member to win a medal that day.

TAKE AIM



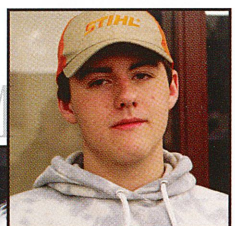
Scott Saul and Frank Laughner aim for perfect score as they prepare to pull the trigger. The Varsity Rifle Team won seven out of ten matches.

Photo: 1968 *Campus*, p. 111

Describe your best shooting day with the trap shooting team.

"During this fall's season, I shot a 45/50, which means during a round of 50 clay pigeons, I was able to hit 45 of them. I was in the zone that day."

*Laszlo Dickey* (12)



Page 181 Photo: *B. Shirley* (par)

### *Talent show talents...*

For the 9-12 division of the 2016 Key Club Talent Show, Olivia Shirley (10) and Katie Lewis (12) perfect their synchronization while in a hinge. "Katie and I have danced together for nine years. For the past three years, we were each other's duet partners," Shirley said. In the middle of their performance, the music stopped. Still, the girls did not miss a beat.

### *Practice makes perfect...*

Focused on both the music and Mr. Puchesky's directing, Maria Heath (10) plays the bass clarinet part in *Abracadabra*, written by Frank Ticheli. Heath said, "It's awesome starting every Day A with band because it's a great way to wake up, and it's a great environment to be in with everyone working so hard." She further said that you could sense a great presence of motivation in the air for every class.

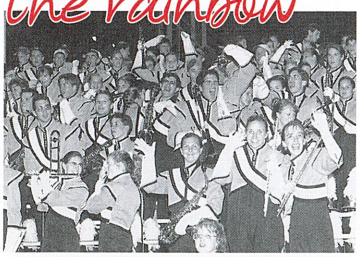
### *It's in my blood...*

In gym B on December 10, Kendall Kernan (11) donates her blood for the CLC-sponsored Blood Drive. CLC adviser Mrs. Poleski said, "We had one of the most successful Blood Drives in our history this year. With everything going on with COVID, it couldn't have come at a better time." Overall, the student body donated over 40 units of blood that all went to Vitalant, one of the oldest blood drives in the nation.

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac) Page 178

# clubs AND activities

## over the rainbow



## 28 YEARS AGO

### *National champions...*

Known as the *Beast from the East*, the marching band has earned some of the country's most prestigious awards over the years. Still, no award or competition surpassed the Bands of America Grand Nationals of 1994.

Armed with their "Come Rain or Shine" show, the band won the AA class for the first time ever. Additionally, the regiment made Finals and placed second to the Marion Catholic Marching band from Chicago Heights, IL by the slight margin of 0.15 points.

Incidentally, when the band won the 2021 BOA Mid-Atlantic Regional, they became the first and only corps in United States history to have won a Regional in each of five decades.

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Photo: *G. Wilferd* (11)

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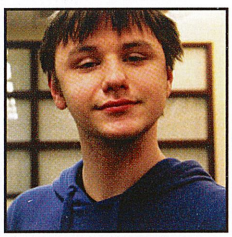
## *Thankful minds...*

On a drizzly September 23 morning, Adalynn Jodon (10) and Bible Club meet under the front flagpole to offer thanks to God for the day. Jodon said, "It was a really neat experience to gather before school in prayer. It set a great tone for my day." Overall, a few dozen people attended the event.

Photo: *P. Fantaski* (fac)

"I think an Art and Design Club would be cool. We could analyze famous art pieces and the background of its inspiration, and everyone could put their own spin on it."

*Trey Watterson* (12)



Describe a club you wish that we had at the high school.

*Write on target...*

At one of the first literary staff meetings of the year, PSPA State Yearbook Sports-Writing Champion Rachel Frye (11) awaits instruction for the year. Frye said, "It doesn't take me nearly as long to write a story like it did before. I guess that's what lots of experience can do for you." Frye and ten other students will travel to Penn State Main on March 30 to compete for the state title in various categories.

Photo: *J. Bielek* (12)

# PHOTOGRAPHY

"I'll be taking a newly found love for photography with me. Also, I've learned so many aspects about taking photographs like proper framing, cropping, lighting, and other techniques used when taking great action and emotion shots."

*Jackson Bielek* (12)

"A new appreciation for creative photos and photos with different perspectives. I used to only look at photos from one perspective. But, now I see the potential of framing one action with another, or creating a really cool photo using repetition. This has allowed me to elevate my photographing skills."

*Faith Boyle* (12)

"I will take teamwork skills and photography skills learned from Mr. Swanson with me for my future. Also, I've learned the importance of deadlines and getting things done early so that there's enough time to proof everything."

*Avery Celo* (11)

"The yearbook committee taught me many things, design being a major one. I have learned how to take a concept and turn it into a beautiful spread that others will look at with interest and awe. I've really enjoyed working on yearbook staff."

*Jack Coleman* (12)

"Having served on the yearbook staff, I have learned to pay attention to detail. Being on photography, you have to take pictures that will fit with the book, and in doing so, it is making the book even better. I think it is an important skill to have moving forward in life."

*Bryn Hewitt* (11)

"What I will take away from this experience is definitely some of the friendships I've made. Also, I've learned some techniques in photography that will help me for the rest of this year and next year."

*Emersyn Lynch* (10)

## Having served yearbook staff, what will you take with you?

"There are many things I will take with me. Communication–because communication with the staff is key in yearbook. Also, knowing how to manage my time–you always need to know what to get done before a deadline.".

*Alyssa Mydock* (11)

"I got interested in photography by observing items in nature. Yearbook has broadened my skills by allowing me to photograph people in different situations. I've also learned so many techniques that have improved my skills as a photographer."

*Jayden Mattis* (11)

# REPORTING

"Having served on the yearbook staff for three years, I will take many things with me, one being patience. Reporters like myself have to be patient when asking questions. It helped my English writing ability, and I've also gained many friendships through yearbook which makes me very happy."

*Madisyn Coulter* (12)

"Yearbook has helped me learn how to be more creative with my writing. I can now take a picture and make it more interesting than before. I also have made many more friends being in yearbook."

*Sarah Johnson* (10)

"I will take with me the ability to talk to people easier. Before serving yearbook staff, I had a hard time speaking with others that I didn't know. I know that the skills I have learned will help me in life."

*Peyton Martin* (10)

"I gained the ability to get to know people and communicate better with others. Going into a mental health therapy field, I know that the skills that I've learned will come in handy."

*Emma Mellinger* (11)

Letter from the Editors:
*Sophie Smietana* (11)
and *Angela Tucker* (11)

# what we leave behind...

## Editors-in-Chief thank yearbook staff for support

For over 60 years in this same place, thousands of seniors graduated and moved on to their lives' destinies. *What We Leave Behind* aims to pay respect to those who graduated and the impact each individual left on the school, all while honoring those still here.

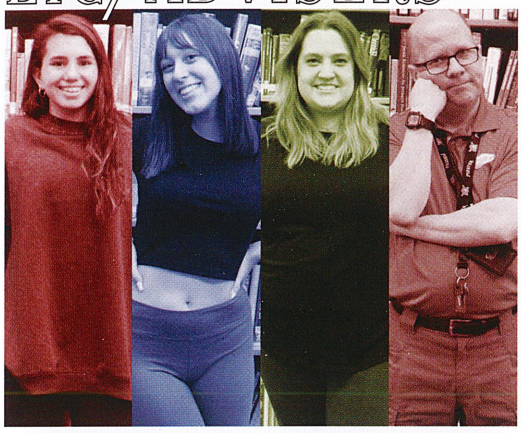
To the Photography staff, thank you for striving to take showstopping photos at every event you attend. The book would be so boring without your wonderful pictures. We would like to thank Jack Coleman for portraying the change of time through his photos. You add such a unique aspect to the book. To the Reporting staff, thank you for embracing your extroverted-ness to get the best quotes you can. We all know that these students don't always give us something we can work with. To the Literary staff, thank you for bringing the events of the school and the personalities of the students to life through your stories. You have a way with words that we do not.

To our lovely advisers, Mrs. Gracey and Mr. Swanson, thank you for your hard work on this book. You kept us on track and helped us navigate our new roles as co-editors in chief.

To Mr. Fantaski, thank you for helping us with anything you could. The book would not be the same without your creative ideas. Also, thank you for getting on the literary staff's butts about getting stories done. You definitely made sure we met our deadlines.

To you all, thank you for being amazing advisers and lovely people to work with. This book wouldn't be possible without all of you. Every year brings its own challenges, so we'd like to thank you for pushing through to make the yearbook the best it can be. You all worked so hard, and we're so proud of what we accomplished together. We are so excited to see what's in store for the entire yearbook staff next year!

## EIC/ADVISERS



*Angela Tucker*
Co-Editor in Chief

"Joining the yearbook staff has truly helped me expand my comfort zone. I've always been a fairly reserved person, however, it's strengthened my people skills and ability to start conversations with those I do not know."

*Loraine Getty* (11)

*Sophie Smietana*
Co-Editor in Chief

"Writing for the yearbook challenged me to improve my craft by giving me the opportunity to tell the stories of the people I pass by in the halls every day. The perspective I've gained from this experience will benefit me in the years beyond high school as I pursue a writing degree in college."

*Jordan Glunt* (12)

*Sarah Gracey*
Co-Adviser

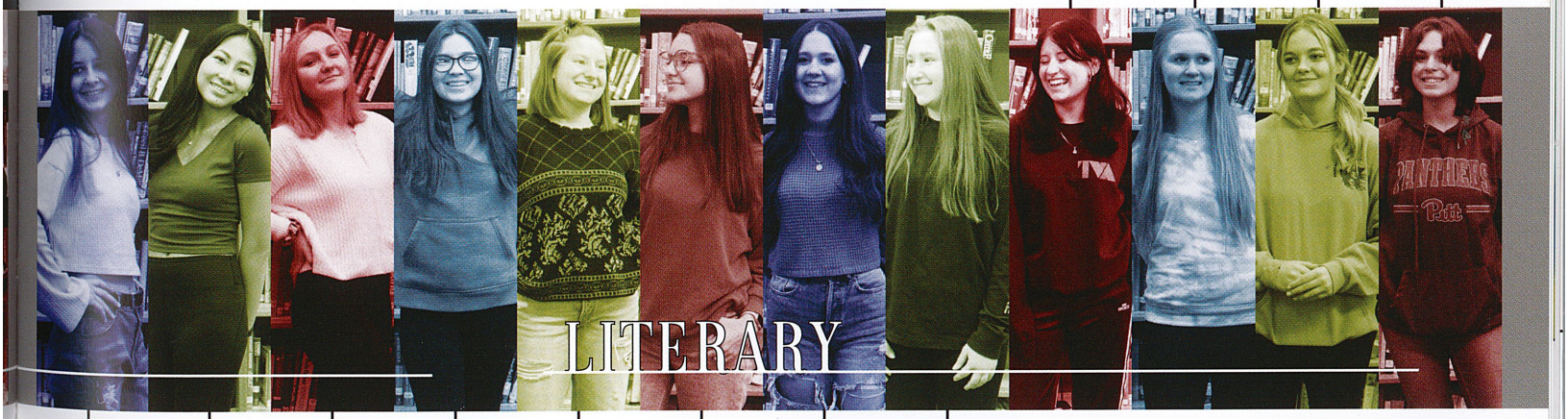
"I will take all the new things I learned and the friendships to improve what I do for yearbook staff next year. Also, I've learned how to write a better story so that the readers will want to read it."

*Mackenzie Knapp* (11)

*John Swanson*
Co-Adviser

"I will take away a new love for writing. Writing and English was never really my forte, but once I joined yearbook in 8th grade and was put on the literary staff, I found that I really enjoy writing yearbook articles."

*Gianna Kraus* (11)



## LITERARY

"Being on the yearbook staff is very important thing to me. What I will be taking with me is my reporting skills. I could never talk to anybody, and I was always so shy talking to people, not outgoing at all. I'm glad for that."

*Nevaeh Riggle* (11)

"I enjoyed being a part of the yearbook staff this year because of all the people. As this was my first year, I really appreciated all the help from everyone on the staff. All in all, I will take the help I've had this year and try to help others along the way."

*Kelina Smith* (9)

"I will take all the good memories and new friends I have made. I get to learn new things and have new experiences that I wouldn't have without yearbook. Everything this club has taught me will stay with me forever. I am very thankful for all yearbook has given me."

*Caylie Tursky* (10)

"Being on the yearbook staff this year has helped me open myself up more and talk to more people. Before the yearbook staff, I was quiet and shy. My writing skills have improved, as well."

*Grace Wilferd* (11)

"Being able to talk to people I don't know in order to write a story has helped me with my people skills. I've also learned how to write a more engaging story that draws in the reader."

*Katelyn Bombalski* (12)

"Yearbook staff has really given me a sense of accomplishment. Seeing the yearbook come together very nicely and knowing that I was able to contribute is a really awesome and rewarding feeling."

*Sawyar Zanotti* (11)

"Yearbook has given me the opportunity to be more communicative with fellow peers I wouldn't normally talk to. Being on the lit staff has widened my ability to write short stories, and express myself through those stories."

*Aubrey Carion* (11)

"I have learned so much to be able to improve my writing capabilities and better my tactics. I will always take the memories with the three teachers involved. I will be forever grateful for Mr. Fantaski who never gave up on me."

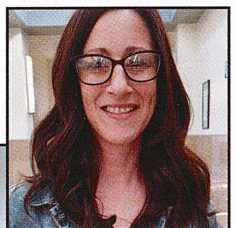
*Rachel Frye* (11)

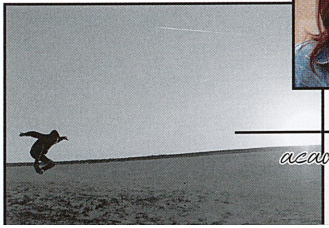
## PHOTOS

Just how important is good photography in a yearbook?

"I believe that it's the photos that tell the real story in a yearbook. Also, it's the first thing that people look at."

*Melyssa Lynch* (fac)





Sophomore Cassitty Terrill took this gold medal CSPA Best Student Life Photo of the Year of her friend Kenny Bonelli as he celebrates a new snowfall in West Deer Township.

Photo: 2014 *Campus*, p. 250

# why THAT particular CLUB?

## Jazz Band A

"I've always liked playing the saxophone, and I've been playing for years."

*David Shevlin* (11)

## Jazz Band B

"I like to play jazz, and I really like the groove of jazz music."

*Lucas Vrudney* (12)

## Marching Band

"I love all the friendships I've made in band starting from 8th grade."

*Tatiana Holt* (10)

## Symphonic Band

"I enjoy music in general and have always had a passion for music."

*Garrett Seymour* (10)

## Wind Ensemble

"I have a love for music, and I've played saxophone most of my life."

*Grace Wilson* (12)

## Percussion Ensemble

"I was kind of just pushed into Percussion Ensemble, then I made a lot of friends, and it kind of just stuck; now, I really enjoy it."

*Matthew Fuhrer* (11)

### Jazz Band A

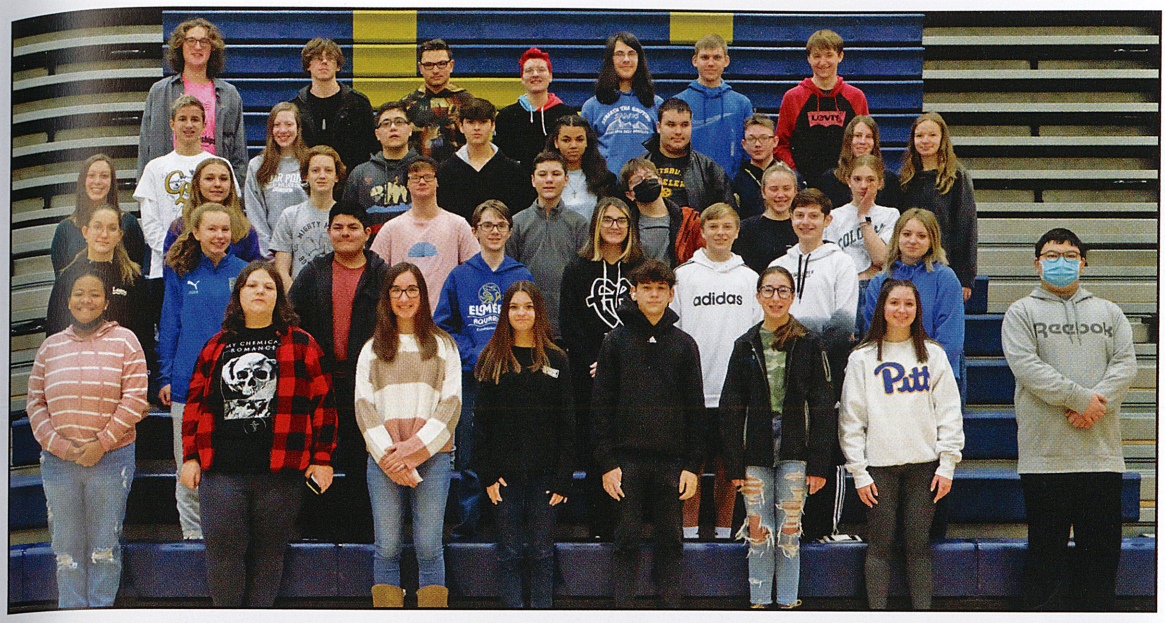
*Front Row:* Sydney Cerminara, Xaiden Connelly, Alec Tucker, Ambur Orowitz, Lindsay Bush; *Row 2:* Gianna Kraus, Grace Wilson, Jordan Glunt, Calder Gee, Cassia Remencus, Noah Yauger; *Back Row:* Erica Shamburg, Dylan Arner, Lucas Vrudney, Cooper Sluka, David Shevlin. *Not Pictured:* Zachary George. *Director:* Mr. Pityk.

### Jazz Band B

*Front Row:* Grant Claypool, Tatiana Holt, Carly Shupe, Victoria Remencus, Sara Shannon, Ella Volpe; *Back Row:* Justin Tucker, Lucas Vrudney, Dylan Arner, Sidney Mowers, Michael Bucci, Matthew Fuhrer. *Director:* Mr. Pityk.

### Marching Band

*Front Row:* Madalaine Scalise, Julianne Bowman, Miranda Crofutt, Maycee Auden, Sidney Mowers, Audrey DeTurck, Abigail Mortensen, McKenzie Kuth, Rowan Fitch, Emmalee Mortensen, Kayley Bowser; *Row 2:* Katie Opaska, Paige Klingensmith, Savannah Katzen, Ziporah Taylor, Sophia Wilson, Sade Taylor, Lillian Belknap, Ainsley Lattimore, Heidi Plazio, Teagan Gee, Emma DeSanto, Ataleigh Pityk; *Row 3:* Mia Martin, Rebecca Fry, Elizabeth Fitch, Bella Ciuca, Carson Thompson, Kiara Prawatya, Lauren Ciuca, Emily Sarti, Alivia Sherbondy, Samantha Brandt, Linzy Hayes; *Row 4:* Brayden Gardone, Colton Ferguson, Angela Tucker, Racquel Brook, Leyanna Ferguson, Grayson King, Luke Snedecor; *Row 5:* Camille Graham, Aubrie Orowitz, Angelina Bossio, Sydney Devey, Avery Biltz, Tatiana Holt, Emma King, Sara Shannon, Sydney Cerminara, Emersyn Lynch, Breanna Bossio, Gianna Kraus; *Row 6:* Isabel Ramos, Adalynn Jodon, Ambur Orowitz, Katrina Orange, Bailey Maschok, Nate Dougherty, Austin Hork, Emily Rouse, Calder Gee, Lindsay Bush, Alec Tucker; *Row 7:* Sean Riley, Kelina Smith, Rachael Schummen, Addison Wright, Jackson Bielek, Xaiden Connelly, Matthew Fuhrer, Aiden Prawatya, Heavenly Cramer, Katie Croyle, Ella Volpe; *Row 8:* Brooklyn Castleberry, Brandon Ray, Victoria Crystaloski, Grace Wilferd, Grace Geltz, Cooper Sluka, Jordan Glunt, Zachary George, Avery Celo, Grace Wilson, Carly Shupe, Sophie Smietana; *Row 9:* Jonathan Shaffer, Caleb Gardone, Noah Yauger, Michael Bucci, Reilly Brandle, Eric McCurdy, David Shevlin, Josh Recker, Brandon Petrosky, Dylan Davenport, Aaron Dull, Michael Erdman; *Back Row:* Travis Maga, Pailey Vitale, Ryan McGinnis, Cooper Lockhart, Lucas Vrudney, Dylan Arner, Garrett Seymour, Ben Ruggles, Erica Shamburg, Jesse May, Maria Heath. *Director:* Mr. Pityk.



## Symphonic Band

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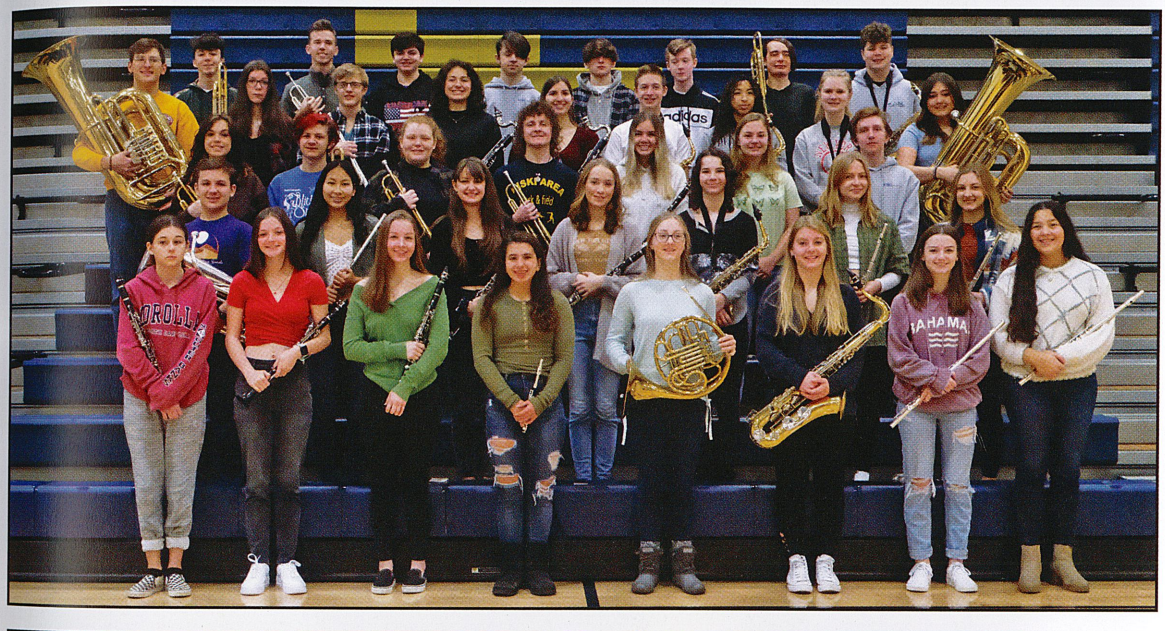


## Wind Ensemble

*Front Row:* Emma King, Tatiana Holt, Emily Rouse, Angela Tucker, Sydney Cerminara, Camille Graham, Sydney Devey, Isabel Ramos; *Row 2:* Alec Tucker, Kelina Smith, Lindsay Bush, Ambur Orowitz, Ella Volpe, Andie Zielinski, Gabriella Prignon; *Row 3:* Gianna Kraus, Xaiden Connelly, Cassia Remencus, Brandon Ray, Brooklyn Castleberry, Katrina Orange, Matthew Fuhrer; *Row 4:* Dylan Arner, Erica Shamburg, Zachary George, Pailey Vitale, Carly Shupe, Cooper Sluka, Grace Wilson, Jordan Glunt, Addi Wright; *Back Row:* Gabriel Reiner, Lucas Vrudney, Michael Bucci, Noah Yauger, Caleb Gardone, Michael Erdman, Jonathan Shaffer, David Shevlin. *Director:* Mr. Pityk.

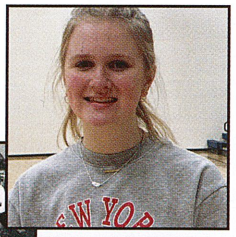
## Percussion Ensemble

*Front Row:* Brandon Pedrosky, Michael Erdman, Matthew Fuhrer, Gabriel Reiner, Jordan Bielunis, Aniyah Long. *Director:* Mr. Pachesky.

"I chose the saxophone because I wanted to play jazz. I have loved jazz since I was a kid."

*Jordan Glunt* (12)

Why that instrument for Jazz Band?



## BEST advice

"IF YOU TURN YOUR UKULELE AROUND AND HIT YOURSELF ON THE HEAD, IT MAKES A GREAT BONK SOUND."

*TOBY RENWICK (11)*

## ALL THAT JAZZ

Called "Stage Band" back in the day, these musicians played jazz numbers and competed in Lexington, KY and Ocean City, MD, all under the direction of Mike Lamendola and Scott Koter.

Photo: 1984 *Campus*, p. 154

# why THAT particular CLUB?

## Cavalier Singers

"I've always liked singing, and since it's a smaller choir, we have a higher chance of getting a harder part."

*Grace Claxon* (12)

## Show Choir

"I have always liked dancing and singing. It has been a passion of mine ever since I was little. I am also in Symphonic Choir."

*Emily Bertelle* (9)

## Scholastic A Guard

"I've done four years in guard and two years in marching band. I liked guard better."

*Sophia Wilson* (9)

## Cavalier Choir

"I thought I would try Cavalier Choir this year after doing Symphonic before. I like the people in it, and it is fun to sing a variety of different songs."

*John Wolfe* (11)

## Symphonic Voices

"I love singing. Plus, it's an easy A."

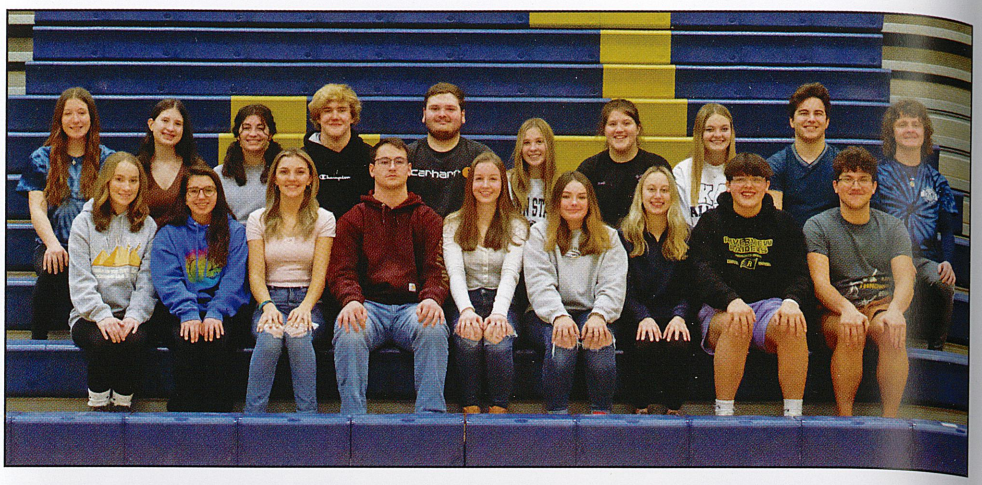
*Abby King* (10)

## Scholastic Open Winterguard

"My brothers were in band, and I didn't want to play an instrument, but I ended up making many friendships and have grown a love for the activity."

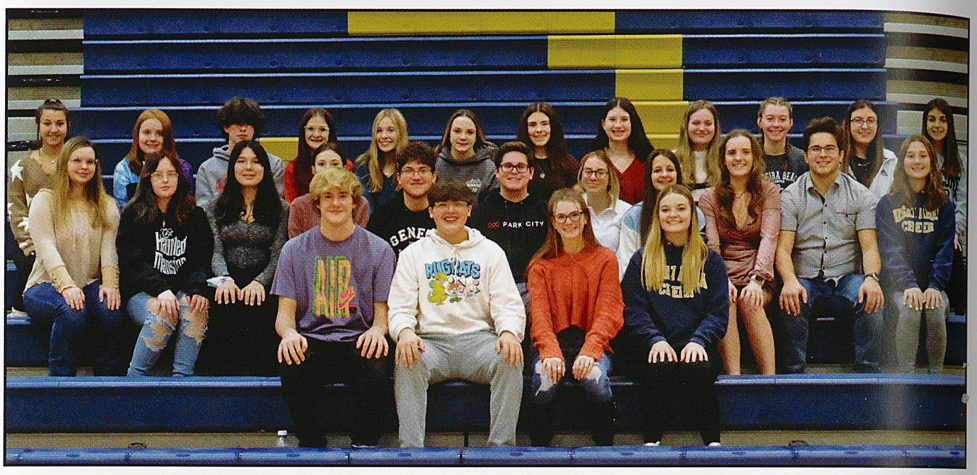
*Maycee Auden* (12)

### Cavalier Singers



*Front Row:* Ambur Orowitz, Angela Tucker, Hannah Kastelic, Michael Carrarini, Emily Rouse, Natalie Pflum, Lexi Colaianni, Jackson Newell, Landon Newell; *Row 2:* Katie Wigton, Shannon Brown, Grace Claxon, Mason Caldwell, Garrett Fryar, Emerson Watkins, Heidi Plazio, Mackenzie Knapp, Bryant Brzozowski, Brandon Ray. *Director:* Mrs. McMeans.

### Show Choir



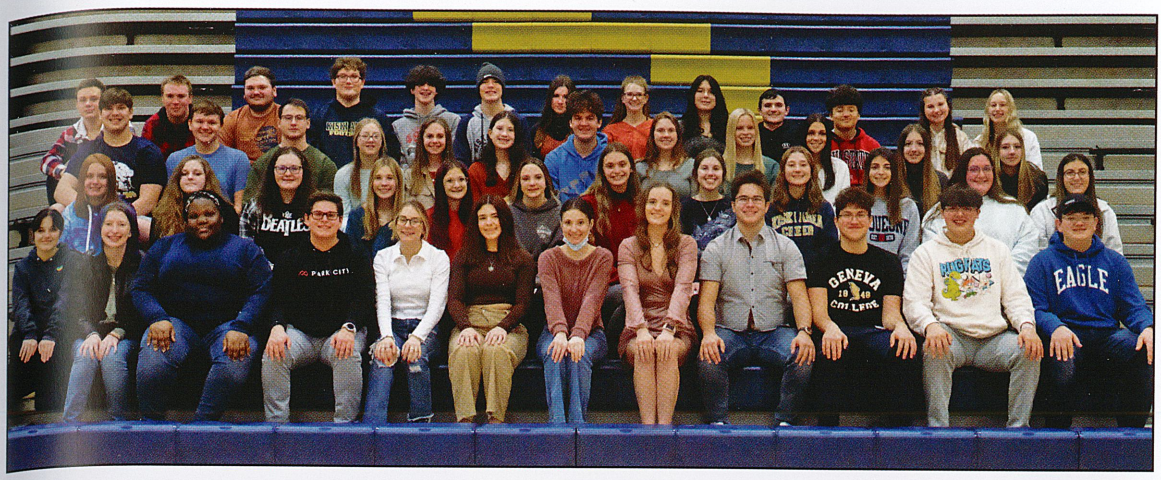
*Front Row:* Mason Caldwell, Jackson Newell, Zoe Holm, Mackenzie Knapp; *Row 2:* Erica Brestensky, Emily Bertelle, Chloe Isanhart, Jordan Hutchinson, Landon Newell, Ryan Schmidt, Emma Mellinger, Nevaeh Riggle, Madison Leith, Bryant Brzozowski, Jocelyn Spencer; *Back Row:* Isabella Bendtsen, Kara Fouse, Evan Opaska, Ava Hutchinson, Emerson Watkins, Mackenzie Rainey, Sarah Johnson, Shannon Brown, Kamryn Suman, Caleigh Graham, Katie Kiebler, Madison Dodek. *Director:* Mrs McMeans.

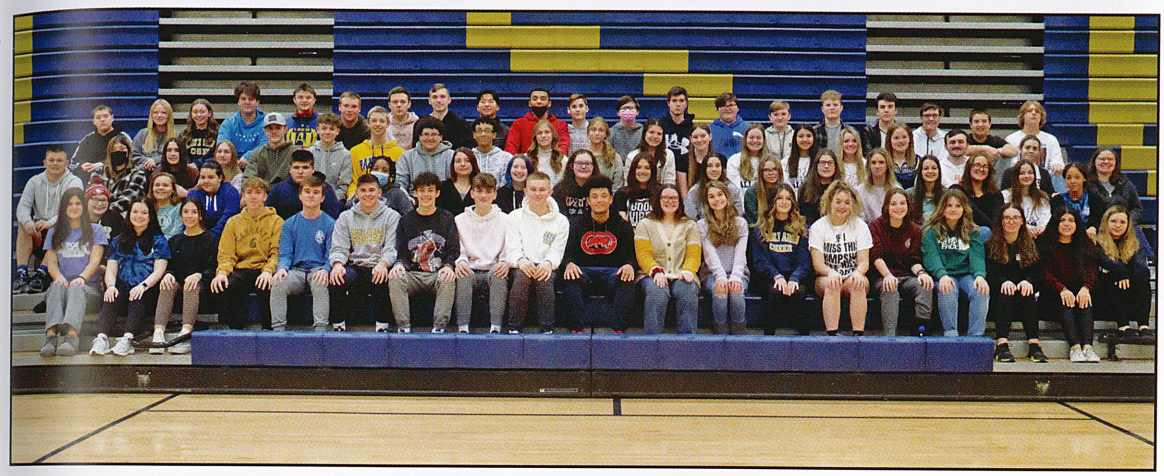
### Scholastic Open Winterguard

*Front Row:* Rowan Fitch, Audrey DeTurck, Sidney Mowers, Maycee Auden, Sidney Devey, Emmalee Mortensen; *Row 2:* Sara Shannon, Julianne Bowman, Lillian Belknap, Madalaine Scalise, Abby Mortensen, McKenzie Kuth, Miranda Crofutt; *Back Row:* Breanna Dowling, Sade Taylor, Isabella Corsaro, Rebekah Frye. *Director:* Mr. Sanders.

### Scholastic Novice Winterguard

*Front Row:* Sophia Yauger, Aubrey Jodon, Emerson Celo, Nikella Klingensmith, Brenna Katzen, Shelby Hall; *Back Row:* Kiara Prawatya, Vivien Pavolik, Carson Thompson, Savannah Katzen, Mikala Coulter, Alexis Baxter, Leyanna Ferguson, Linzy Hayes. *Director:* Mr. Sanders.





## Cavalier Choir

*Front Row:* Avery Toy, Peyton Martin, Akila Yaw, Ryan Schmidt, Emma Mellinger, Sarah Johnson, Jordan Hutchinson, Madison Leith, Bryant Brzozowski, Landon Newell, Jackson Newell, Tyler King; *Row 2:* Kara Fouse, Kaitlyn Ritter, Alexis Hoak, Emerson Watkins, Ava Hutchinson, Mackenzie Rainey, Brynn Bires, Devan Sonafelt, Jocelyn Spencer, Madison Dodek, Sarah Musser, Katie Kiebler; *Row 3:* Jack Crider, Eli Shultz, Michael Carrarini, Sydney Cerminara, Gianna Wray, Shannon Brown, Zachary Jordan, Carli Luciano, Elizabeth Crawford, Nicole George, Hannah Gordish, Bella DeVito; *Back Row:* Ethan Kerr, John Wolfe, Garrett Fryar, Johnathan Drahos, Evan Opaska, Brian Davenport, Mia DeVito, Zoe Holm, Chloe Isanhart, William Glentzer, Trey Roberts, Mackenzie Favero, Lexi Colaianni. *Not Pictured:* Jordan Peterson, Margaret Pulice, Lindsey Pusateri, Rylie Sandor, Sara Shannon, Jonathan Toy. *Director:* Mrs. McMeans.

## Symphonic Voices

*Front Row:* Laci Safranyos, Kendall Kernan, Madalyn Polka, Brad Rupert, Josh Ardellitz, Maddox Anderson, Anders Bordoy, Noah Thimons, Jason Flemm, John Shirey, Lauryl Mell, Bailey Maschok, Giana Racioppo, Addison Bien, Kendra Smail, Madison Powell, Alexa Chess, Rosalia Cardinale, Erica Brestensky; *Row 2:* Jayden Semprevivo, Kayley Bowser, Cheyenne Sippel, Hunter Yetka, JaQuay Butler, Phoebe Richard, Peyton Martin, Alexis Hoak, Aaliyah Russo, Bryanna Finney, Olivia Schrag, Tabytha Hogan, Cassie Leith, Nevaeh Riggle, Kaileyann Reutzel- Fish, Chloe Arbaugh, Sade Taylor, Rebekah Frye, Elizabeth Fitch, Emmalee Mortensen; *Row 3:* Connor Flemm, Preston Fedoruk, Josh Roden, Demarcus Cousins, Levi Hansen, Jacob Halter, Demiuex McFadden, Adelyne Ledbetter, Jael Ledbetter, Lillian Gibbon, Kaylee Musco, Kamryn Suman, Bella Bendtsen, Allie Zdobinski, Baylee Davis, Nathan Vokes, Emma Crissman, Mikayla McDonald; *Back Row:* Kira Long, Caleigh Graham, Zachary Jordan, Treyden Watterson, John Wolfe, Ethan Kerr, Brady Rametta, Luke Emmerling, Davien Pope, Tyler McDermott, Fred Ridener, Tanner Kowalkowski, Evan Ridenour, Ty Conner, Caleb Custer, Cameron DeAngelis, Kevin Schmidt, Nolan McMullen, Nathan Uncapher. *Director:* Mrs. McMeans.

## Scholastic A Guard

*Front Row:* Mia Martin, Kayley Bowser, Teagan Gee, Ziporah Taylor, Lillian Pityk, Naudia Henry; *Row 2:* Addison Uskuraitis, Kaitlyn Ritter, Ataleigh Pityk, Katie Opaska, Emily Sarti, Sophia Wilson; *Back Row:* Laina Kowalczyk, Heidi Plazio, Isabella Ciuca, Ainsley Lattimore, Erica Shamburg, Lauren Ciuca, Paige Klingensmith. *Director:* Mr. Sanders.

# BEST *advice*

**"DON'T TAKE THINGS SO SERIOUSLY. BE LOUD AND HAVE FUN."**

*Katie Kiebler* (12)

"Ryan Schmidt (11) doing ponies is really fun to watch because he does them awkwardly."

*Zoe Holm* (10)

Discuss something memorable about Show Choir.

# DANCE AND SING

Directed by Mrs. Ellen Rupert, members of Girls' Show Choir competed in Toronto, New York, Chicago, and Virgina Beach.

Photo: 1999 *Campus*, p. 176

## BEST *advice*

"ENJOYING LIFE ISN'T ABOUT FINDING THE ANSWERS, BUT LIVING THE QUESTIONS."

*MALACHI MARTINDALE (12)*

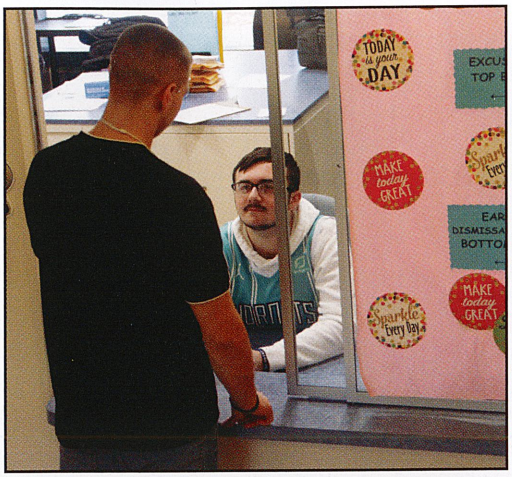



Photo: *J. Swanson* ()

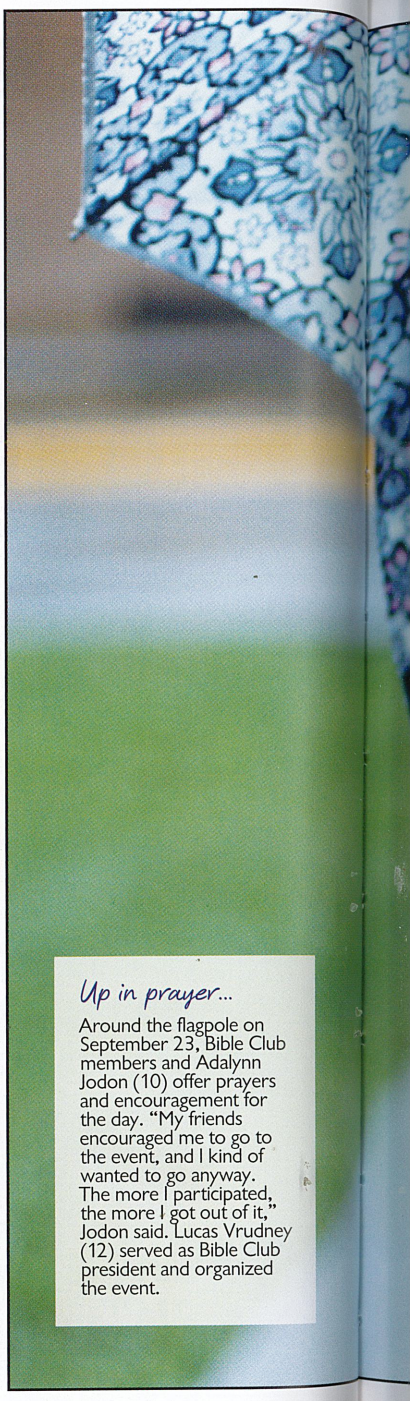
### *Better late than never...*

As Joe Miller (12) checks in at the attendance window, Nathan Vokes (11) assists him with a pass to get into class. Vokes said, "Joe Miller talked me into becoming an office aide. I like the vibe of helping out in here and working with [Mrs.] Carly [Roenigk]." Vokes volunteered to help out in the second semester and planned to schedule an office aide period his senior year.

### *Quick answer...*

At the Mount Pleasant Quiz League, members of the JV Academic Quiz Team answer questions against the Norwin Knights team. Declan McManus (10) said, "We started out pretty terribly with a 2-12 score. However, we ended up coming back 14-18. Even though we lost in the end, we kicked it in gear to almost beat them." Mrs. Poleski and Mrs. Gracey advised the two home teams.

Photo: *S. Gracey (fac)*



### *Up in prayer...*

Around the flagpole on September 23, Bible Club members and Adalynn Jodon (10) offer prayers and encouragement for the day. "My friends encouraged me to go to the event, and I kind of wanted to go anyway. The more I participated, the more I got out of it," Jodon said. Lucas Vrudney (12) served as Bible Club president and organized the event.

# QUEST FOR *higher power answers*

## Teens seek comfort/guidance through various religions

Story: *G. Kraus* (11)

From *See You at the Pole* to the recently reinstated choral Christmas Concert, faith and religion have blessed members of the student body, some since their early years in the district.

Zach George (11) said, "Since I was born, I've always gone to church, recently St. Gertrude's in Vandergrift. I remember praying with my family before going to bed every night. My grandmother would always give me different prayers to read with my family in every day situations."

Even more involved in spiritual enrichment and guidance, Lucas Vrudney (12) attended Cornerstone Ministries in Murrysville, PA. His involvement there inspired him to spread the faith throughout the school.

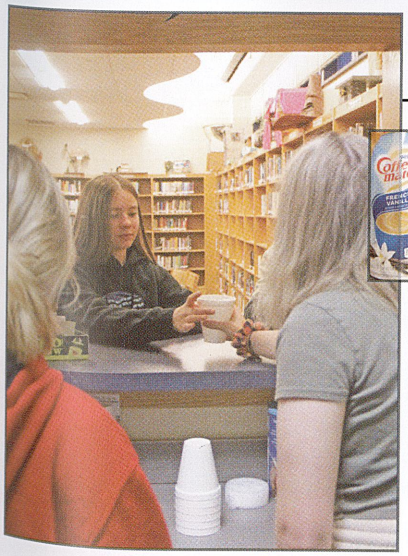
Vrudney said, "I started going back to church when I was in seventh grade. Going to Cornerstone has given me peace, and it has established a great family of church goers who support me." At the school, Vrudney served as Bible Club president and led students in morning prayer in a corner of the atrium entrance.

Still, not all individuals felt the need for the Sunday morning ritual of attending church.

"I used to go to church all the time with my family. Over the years, we've not gone as much as we used to. However, praying gives me focus and helps me to stay calm, especially when I'm stressed out," Ryan Neff (11) said.

Photo: *G. Wilferd* (12)

# So many coffee shop choices...



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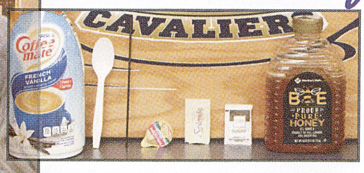



## Just one choice...

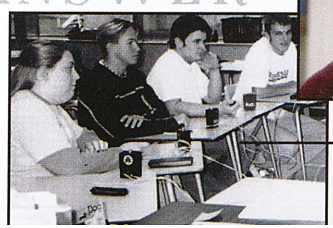
Right after the coffee shop opens, Ava Strellec (9) receives her morning tea. Strellec said, "I am a big fan of the vanilla chai tea. Ever since I tried it, that is all I get." Giana Racioppo (9) encouraged Strellec to try vanilla caramel tea. When the coffee shop ran out, Strellec tried the vanilla chai and never looked back.

## Popular coffee shop items...

French vanilla creamer, spoons, half and half creamer, Splenda, sugar, honey...

## GOOD ANSWER

Describe a humorous moment that happened during Quiz Team.

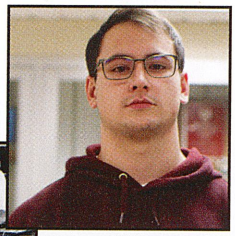


Sabrina Spiher, Jon Boland, Jason Wray, and Chris Frankhart await the next question at a quiz team practice with Mrs. Poleski (fac).

Photo: 2000 *Campus*, p. 101

"I wasn't at a Quiz Meet when they called my name because I'd won an award. Sam Coleman (12) pretended to be me and walked up to accept my award."

*Michael Carrarini* (12)



# why THAT particular CLUB?

## Student Council 9

"It's been enjoyable to talk to people, work with others, and help each other out as we put together a variety of school activities."

*Emmerson McBryde* (9)

## Student Council 11

"I joined to be a part of school activities and to get involved. It's not too bad of a time commitment since we have to attend a few meetings and help out at a few school events."

*Genevieve Miller* (11)

## NHS 11

"All my hard work paid off, and I was really proud of myself."

*Samantha Coleman* (11)

## NHS 12

"I honestly thought it would just look good on a college application, and I ended up making it into college."

*Dylan Arner* (12)

## Class Officers

"I wanted to do my part in helping out with school activities. I like to take part in scheduling the dances, too."

*Paige Kunkle* (9)

## Senior Committee

"I think I had some good ideas for the senior class and wanted to join more clubs for my senior year."

*Sarah Musser* (12)

## Student Council 9/10

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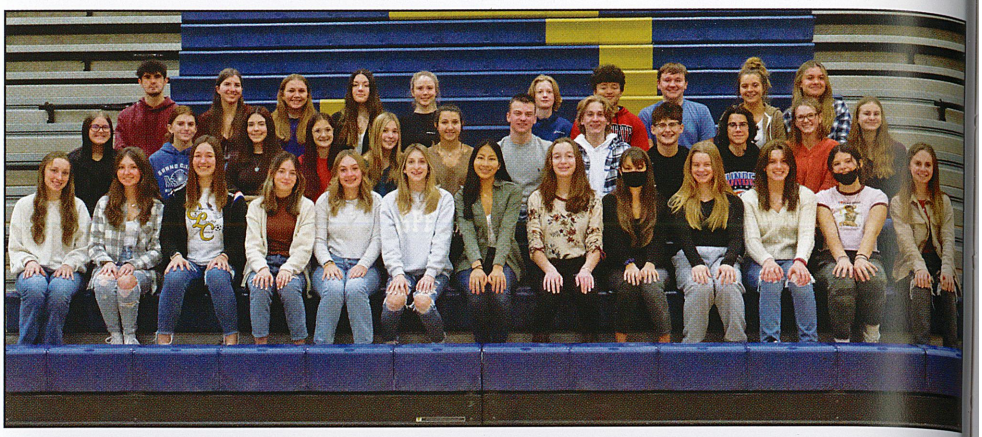

## Student Council 11/12

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## NHS 11

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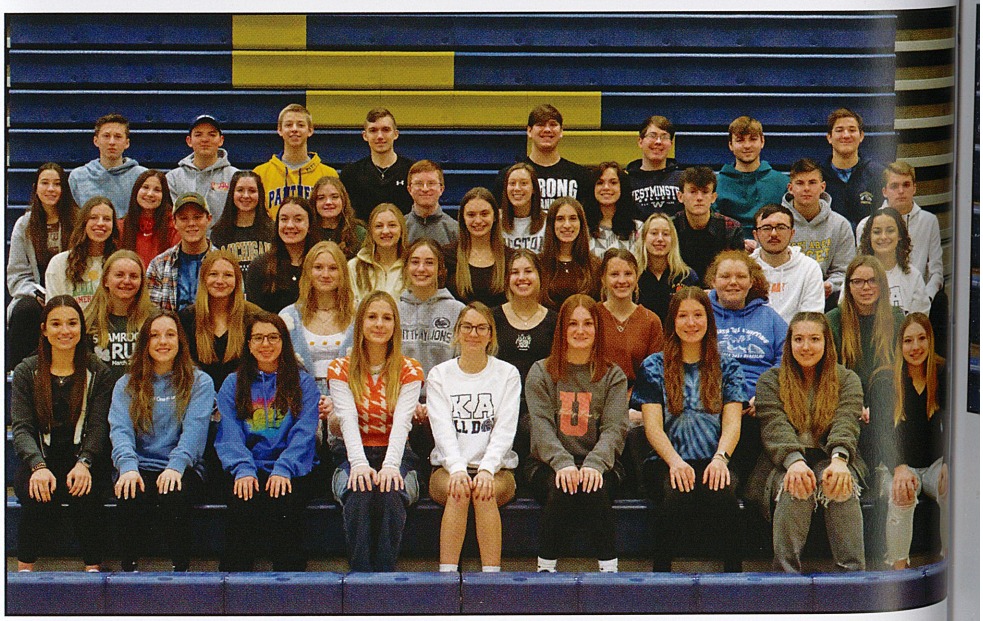

## NHS 12

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## Senior Committee

*Front Row:* Macey Hepler, Grace Claxon, Katelyn Bombalski; 2nd Row: Faith Cook, Shannon Brown, Sarah Musser, Andie Zielinski; *Back Row:* Aaron Witt, Payton Sullivan, Cameran Thompson, Jack Coleman, Cody Dykes. *Adviser:* Mrs. McCluske.

## 9-11 Class Officers

*Front Row:* Emily Sarti, Kelina Smith, Paige Kunkle, Caleigh Graham, Sylvia Chin, Sydney Joyce; *Back Row:* Abbie Johns, Brennan Moore, Cole Graf, Maddox Anderson, Jackson Newell, Ryan Schmidt, Lexi Colaianni. Not Pictured: *Reilly Sullivan. Advisers:* Mrs. Gracey and Mrs. McCluske.

"Cleaning up after the Homecoming Dance, we picked up a lot of bow ties."

*Grace Geltz* (11)

Describe a memorable moment you had because of Student Council.

## BEST *advice*

"IT IS THE ABILITY TO BRING OUT THE BEST IN OTHERS THAT MAKES YOU A GREAT LEADER."

*ASHLEY ECKENROD (12)*

## ALMOST DONE

From the old K-Mart entrance, Billy Gallagher, Dan Aiello, Max Moio, and Meagan Mszyco close out the week with their final telethon broadcast.

Photo: 2006 *Campus*, p. 185

# why THAT particular CLUB?

## Speech and Debate

"I joined because I like the concept of rebuttals and hearing other perspectives."

*Addi Wright* (9)

## WIRC

"I like reading books and experiencing the journey through the story."

*Izzy Ramos* (12)

## Mock Trial

"I like the hobby of crime solving, especially courts and justice."

*Jorgie Evans* (12)

## Math Team

"My favorite part about the Math Team is Mr. Jankowski."

*Dylan Davenport* (11)

## Academic Quiz Team

"As one of the managers, I like seeing the dedication the team has, and I like mentoring the JV team."

*Shannon Brown* (12)

## FBLA

"I was curious about the club and ended up winning first in Organizational Leadership and highest in the region."

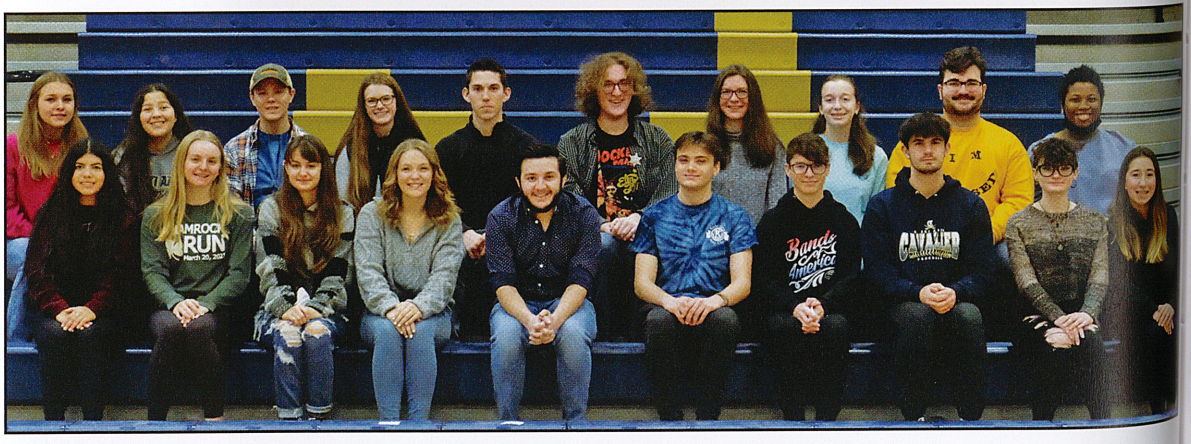
*Pailey Vitale* (12)

## Speech and Debate

*Front Row:* Lindsay Bush, Ella Volpe, Cassia Remencus; *Row 2:* Addi Wright, Raymond Mintz, Johnathan Toy, Joseph Galo; *Row 3:* Ryan Schmidt, Jonathan Shaffer, Nico Beach. *Adviser:* Mrs. Pityk.

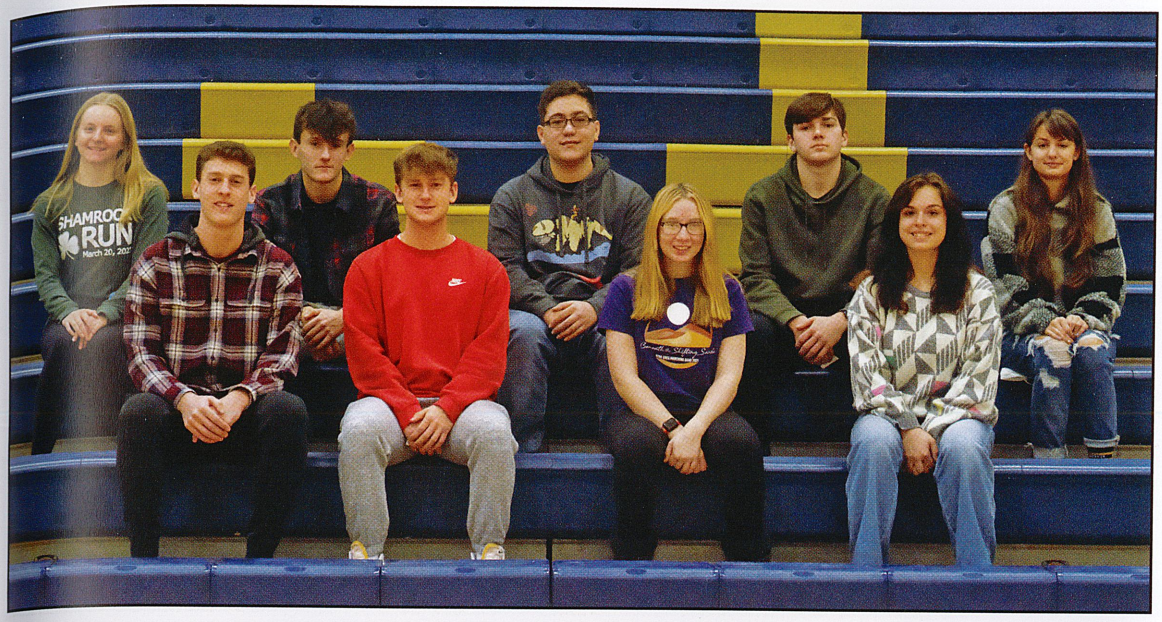
## Westmoreland Interscholastic Reading Competition

*Front Row:* Isabel Ramos, Katelyn Bombalski; *Back Row:* Jordan Glunt, Kurt Tesche, Megan Hastings. *Not Pictured:* Faith Boyle, Grace Claxon, Levi Hansen, Julia Hanzlik, Chloe Reed, Benjamin Ruggles, Treyden Watterson, Haley Zeller. *Adviser:* Mrs. Miller.



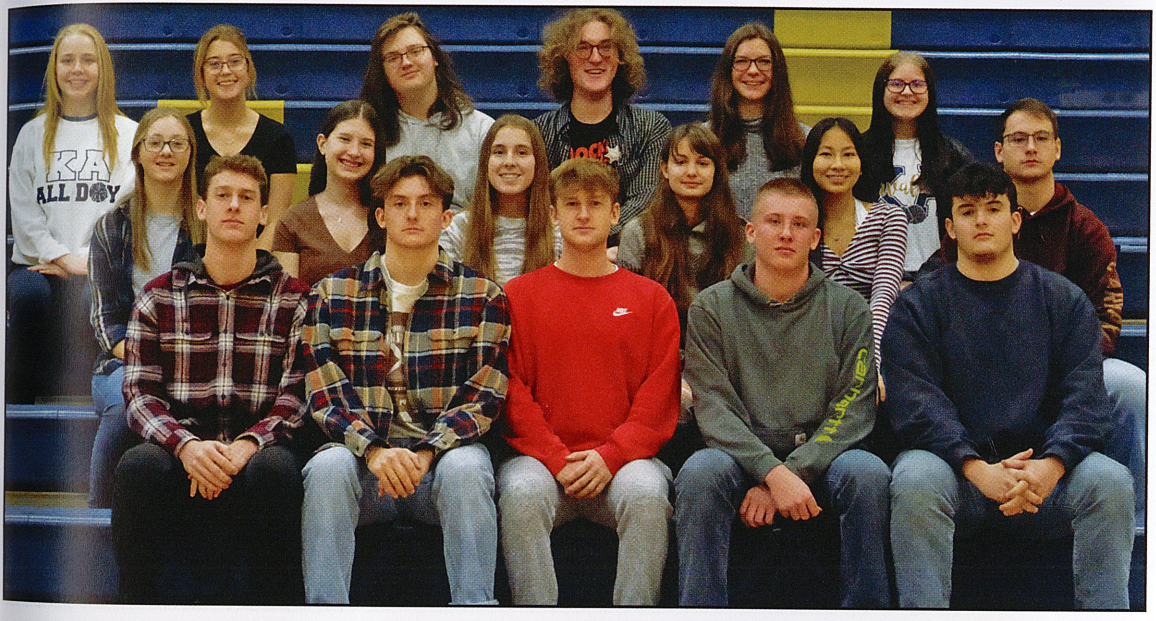
## Mock Trial

*Front Row:* Rosalia Cardinale, Sydney Joyce, Lindsay Bush, Emma Beck, Zachary Hamm, Johnathan Toy, Calder Gee, Carter Leviski, Faith Boyle, Emersyn Lynch; *Back Row:* Victoria Crystaloski, Isabel Ramos, Ryan Ridenour, Zoe Holm, Mason Ross, Garrett Seymour, Erica Shamburg, Alivia Sherbondy, Shawn Franklin, Jorgie Evans. *Advisers:* Mrs. McAfee and Mrs. Valeski.



## Math Team

*Front Row:* Cody Dykes, Aaron Witt, Sara Shannon, Gianna Kraus; *Back Row:* Sydney Joyce, Nathaniel Coleman, Dylan Davenport, Owen Zimmerman, Lindsay Bush. *Not Pictured:* Annie Bowser, Margaret Pulice, Heather Sieczkowski. *Adviser:* Mr. Jankowski.



## Academic Quiz Team

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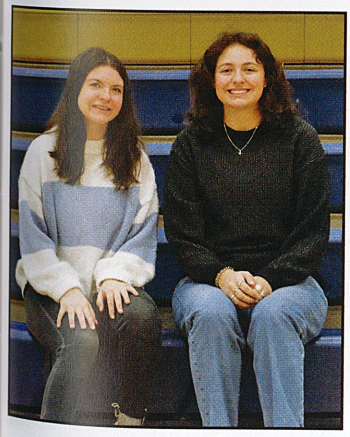


## Chess

*Front Row:* Noah Henry, Andrew Fleming, Xander McGuire. *Adviser:* Mr. Moran.

## FBLA

*Front Row:* Lillian Gibbon, Pailey Vitale. *Not Pictured:* Haley Zeller. *Adviser:* Mrs. Valeski.

"Out of all of the clubs that I'm in, Math Team is the one that challenges me the most."

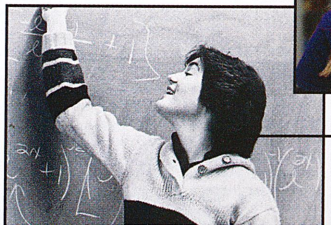
*Sara Shannon* (10)

Discuss your thoughts on Math Team.

## BY THE NUMBERS

As Tawni Emanuel (1982 grad) displays her math prowess, she shows off her ability to get the correct answer at the end of a math meet.

Photo: 1982 *Campus*, p. 133



# why THAT particular CLUB?

## French

"I've done French for four years, and I joined to help support Mrs. Brady and the club itself."

*Kaileyann Reutzel-Fish* (12)

## Environmental

"I really like the outdoors and taking walks outdoors. I am looking forward to new opportunities within the club."

*Cole Graf* (10)

## Spanish

"I am currently in Spanish III. Mrs. Royer is the best, and the snacks are totally worth it."

*Bella Bendtsen* (10)

## Chinese

"I joined Chinese Club out of curiosity, and I wanted to learn about the culture and language."

*Donovan Moon* (9)

## Social Studies

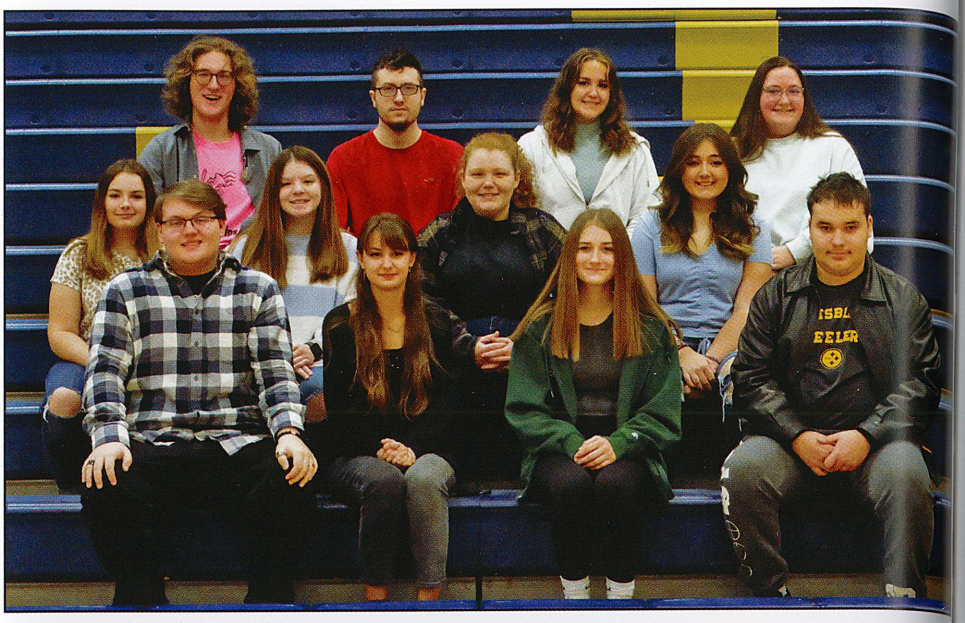
"I love history, and I want to eventually be a history teacher. It would look good on my college applications."

*Thaddeus Decock* (12)

## Horticulture

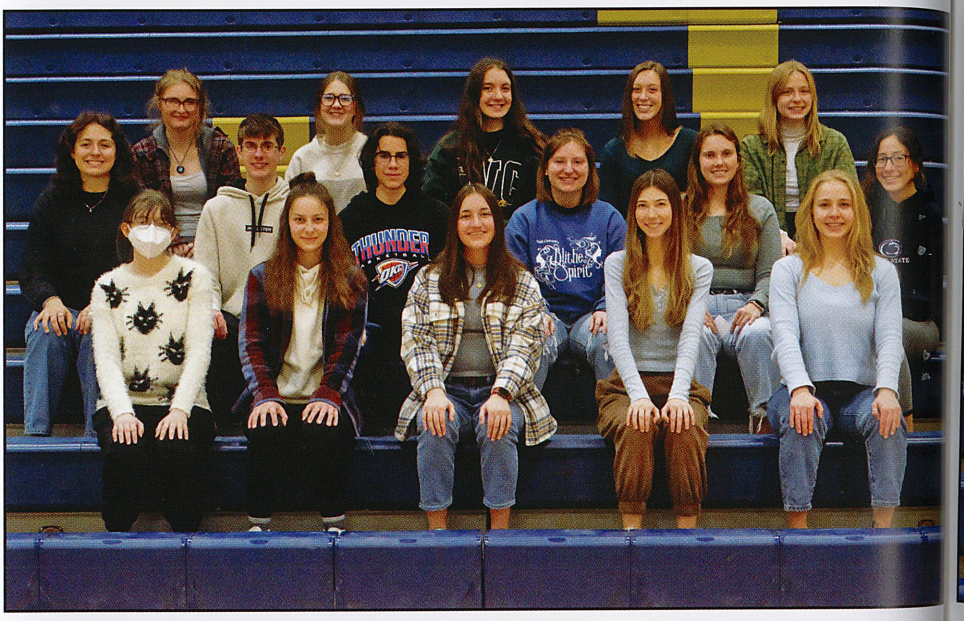
"I didn't really join; I was kind of drafted into it as a first round pick."

*Braden Mika* (11)



### French

*Front Row:* Kurt Tesche, Lindsay Bush, McKenzie Kuth, Jesse May; *2nd Row:* Natalie Pflum, Kandi Miller, Cassia Remencus, Addison Wright; *Back Row:* Garrett Seymour, Thad Decock, Kaileyann Reutzel-Fish, Sarah Musser. *Adviser:* Mrs. Brady.



### Environmental

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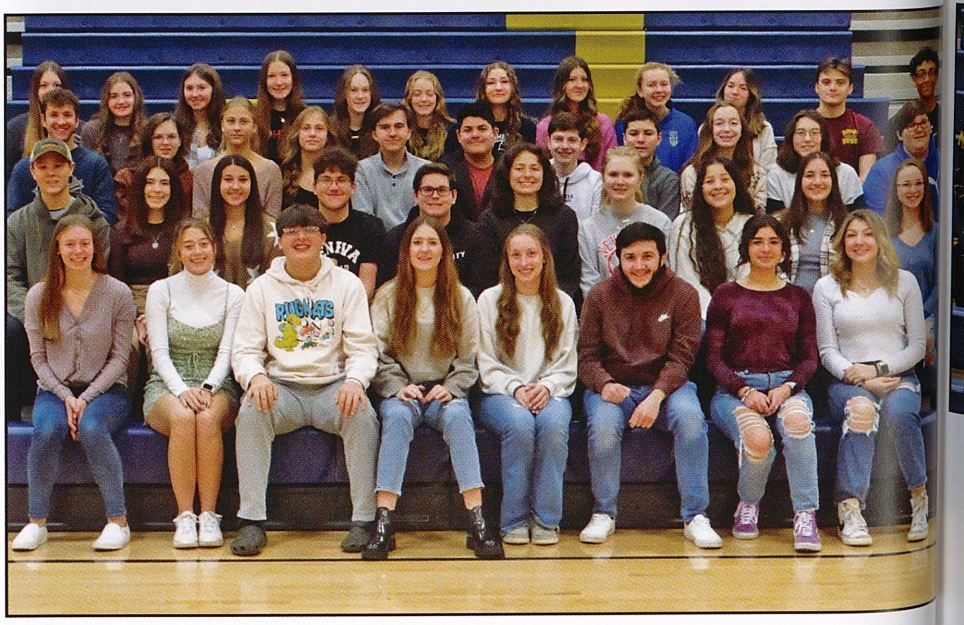

### Spanish

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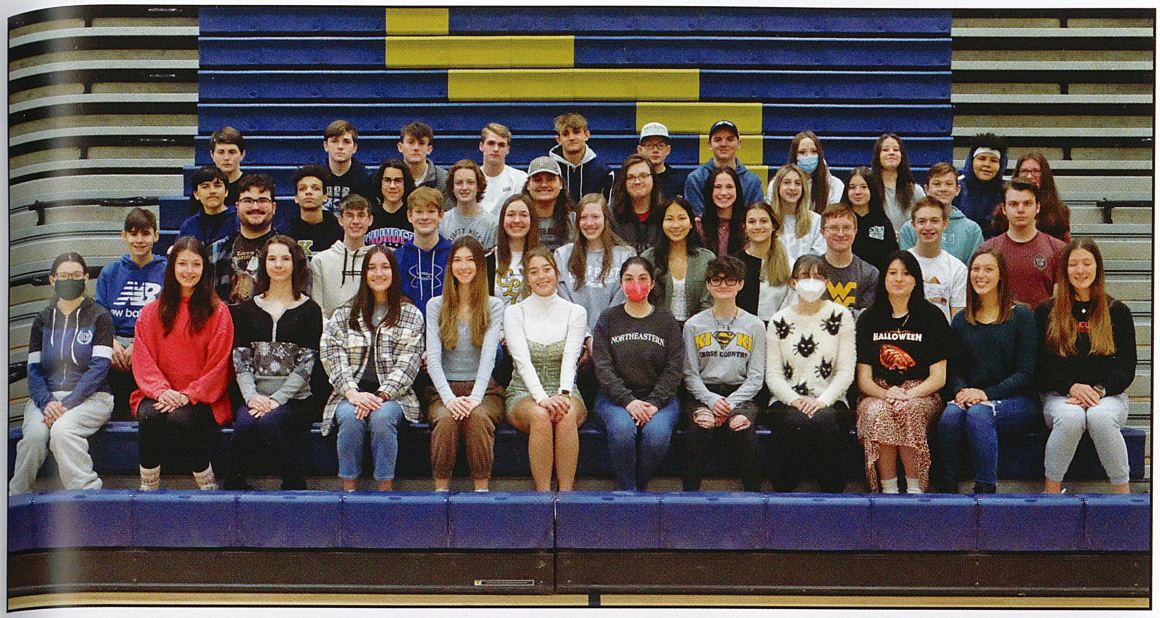

## Chinese

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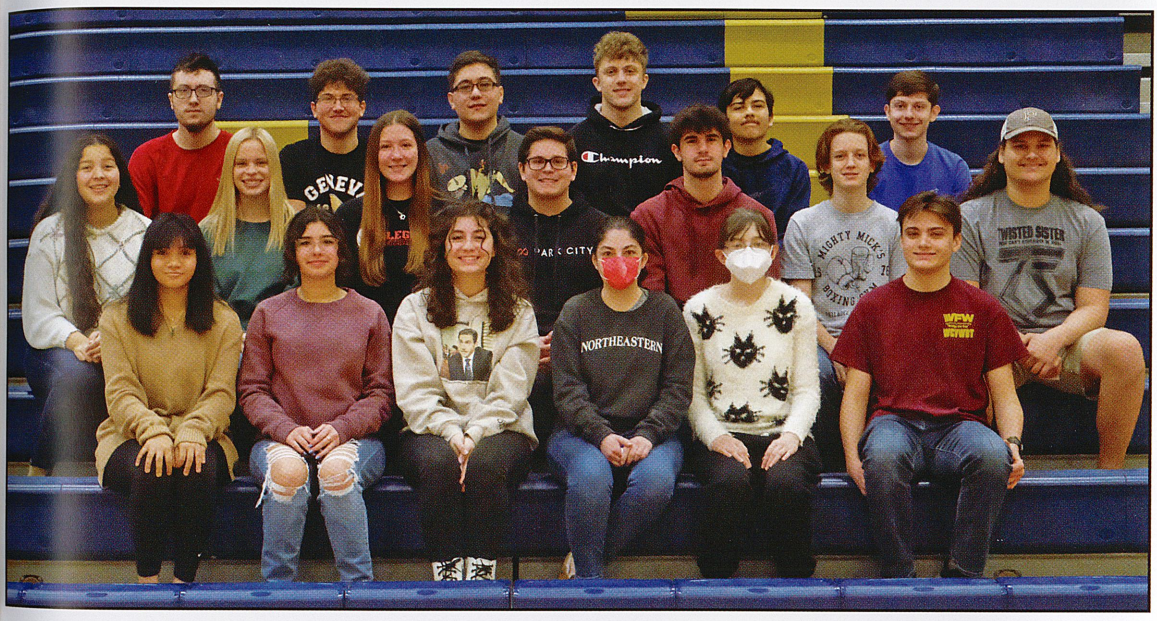

## Social Studies

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## Horticulture

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"I took AP Enviro in 10th grade and really enjoyed it. It is what made me want to go into Environmental Science as a career. I joined the club so that I could continue being involved with environmental issues."

*Katelyn Bombalski* (12)

Why did you join Environmental Club?

## BEST advice

"THE EARTH DOES NOT BELONG TO MAN; MAN BELONGS TO THE EARTH."

*DONOVAN MOON (9)*

## CLEAN WATERS

Members of the Environmental Team work with Mrs. Hill at the Aquatics Environmental Workshop in Ligonier. They studied water samples from a nearby creek.

Photo: 1997 *Campus*, p. 160

## BEST *advice*

"THE IDEA IS NOT TO LIVE FOREVER, BUT TO CREATE SOMETHING THAT WILL."

*MYA STEELE (9)*

Photo: *P. Fantaski* (fac)

### *Winter magic...*

In her first period Concert Band class, Maria Heath (10) practices *Abracadabra* by Frank Ticheli for the Mid-Winter Concert celebration. Heath said, "The piece has certain parts to it that you don't see coming. It's exciting to listen to, and it keeps you on the edge of your seat." Heath switched from clarinet to bass clarinet between her sixth and seventh grade year.

### *Bleed for you...*

On December 10, Cavalier Leadership Council held a Blood Drive in gym B. Kendall Kernan (11) said, "I feel like it's important to give blood because one in three people need blood, but only one in 30 donate." Students at the high school comprised ninety-seven percent of the total donors. CLC collected 41 units of blood products which would help up to 123 area patients. One of the most successful drives in years, Brynn Bires (11) and Lexi Colaianni (11) organized the event.

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

### *Harking the herald...*

While decorating the atrium for Christmas, Riley Koziatek (11) attempts to make one of the Christmas trees look extra festive. "The tinsel was in a ball and it was a huge hassle to untangle it," Koziatek said. Student Council members have taken on this task for years, and Koziatek first joined Student Council at Upper Elementary as a fifth grader.

# SURPRISING *holiday traditions...*

## Three sophomores reveal customs with families

Story: *R. Frye* (11)

The Feast of Seven Fishes, a horror movie marathon, and a late November run at Kunkle Park. From New Years Eve to Christmas, and holidays in between, three students dished on family traditions of celebration.

On a macabre note, Caden Zambo (10) and his father Wes had a unique Halloween tradition, complete with popcorn.

"Before we go trick-or-treating, we like to watch movies like *Friday the 13th, Dr. Sleep, The Shining, Halloween, and Cabin in the Woods,*" Zambo said.

Adding to the horror film features, his brother Zac has attended from time to time.

For four years on Thanksgiving morning, Ben Young (10) ran the Turkey Trot, a 5K-Run at Kunkle Park sponsored by the Kiski Area Youth Network.

"My dad and I get up early to participate in the event. It gets us pumped for a great meal later in the day," Young said.

At her grandma's house in Moreland Manor, Isabella Delia (10), her mom, and her aunt all gathered around 8 AM on Christmas Eve to start preparing for the Feast of Seven Fishes. It took all day to prepare the spread that typically started around 6 PM.

"I don't like any of it. I've tried salmon, and it was okay. It's a good thing that we have other foods like pasta (lemon ravioli) and ham," Delia said.

Photo: *G. Wilferd* (12)

# Choirs return to stage for Christmas

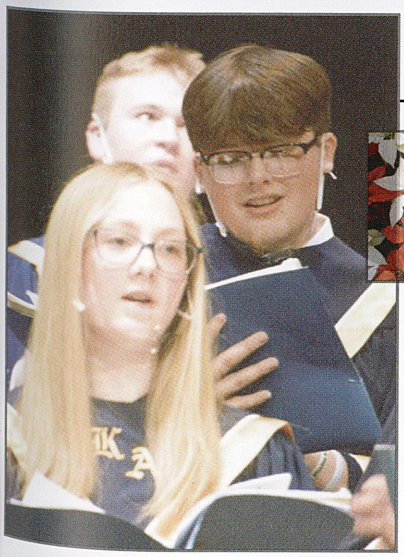


Photo: *A. Newell* (par)

### First time in a long time...

For the Veteran's Day concert on November 11, Sydney Cerminara (9), John Wolfe (11), and Jackson Newell (11) perform *How Can I Keep from Singing* for all in attendance. Newell said, "It was nice after two years to finally be able to perform in front of a crowd." The school held two separate concerts that evening to accommodate COVID requirements.

### Winter poinsettia sale...

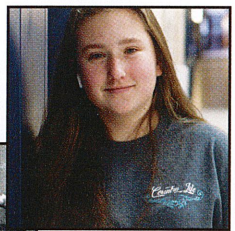
To help pay for tee-shirts for the February 16 pop-themed concert, choir members sold poinsettias for $10 each.

"I really like the warm farm work clothes that I got for Christmas this year."

*Rachel Frye* (11)

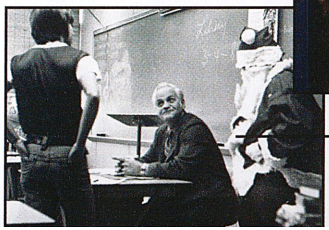
## GIFT OF GIVING

What's the best gift that you ever got from Santa?



In hopes of getting a donation for Children's Hospital from Mr. Meighan and Jim Lamison, Santa (alias Dee McCutcheon) offers a Christmas greeting from Tri-Hi-Y.

Photo: 1973 *Campus*, p. 160



# why THAT particular CLUB?

## Key Club 9/10

"I like being helpful to the citizens of our community."

*Sade Taylor* (10)

## CAVS SLAM

"I like that we care about our school and working with other people."

*Cassia Remencus* (11)

## CLC

"Since I was on the cross country team and football team in middle school and continued to do football here at the high school, being a part of Cavalier Leadership Council was only natural."

*Carson Heinle* (9)

## Key Club 11

"I joined Key Club to help the community and keep it safe."

*Bella DeVito* (11)

## Key Club 12

"I like being in Key Club because helping the community makes me feel like a good person."

*Ben Ruggles* (12)

## Bible

"I joined Bible Club because I am passionate about my faith, and this gives me an opportunity to spread the word about Christ."

*Michael Bucci* (10)

### Key Club 9/10

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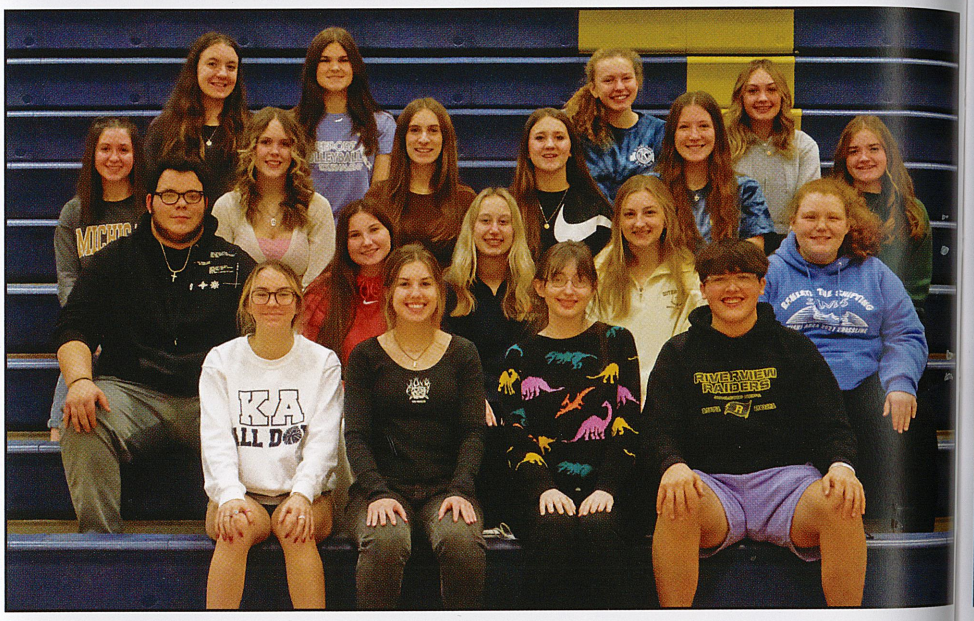
### CAVS SLAM

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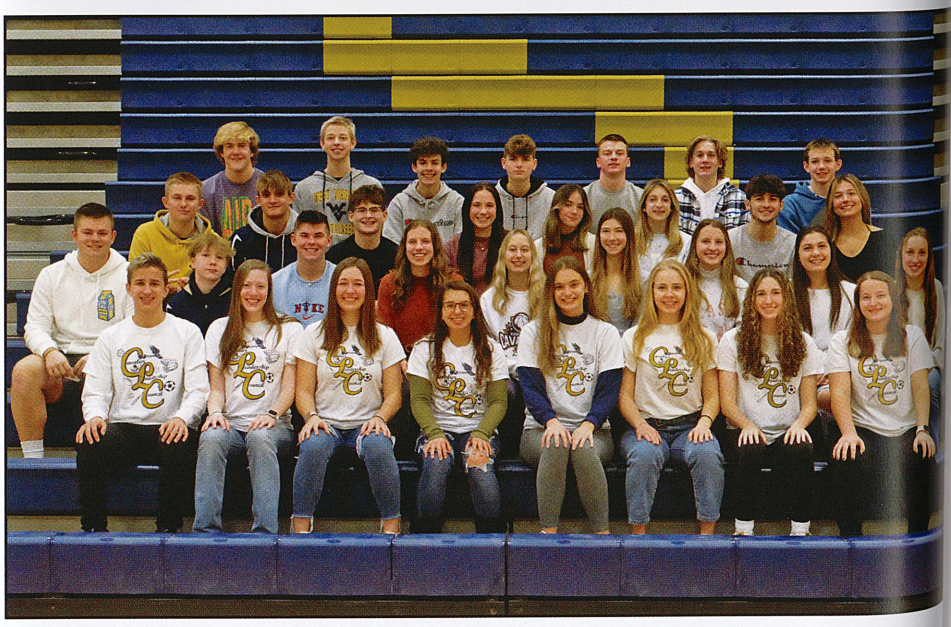

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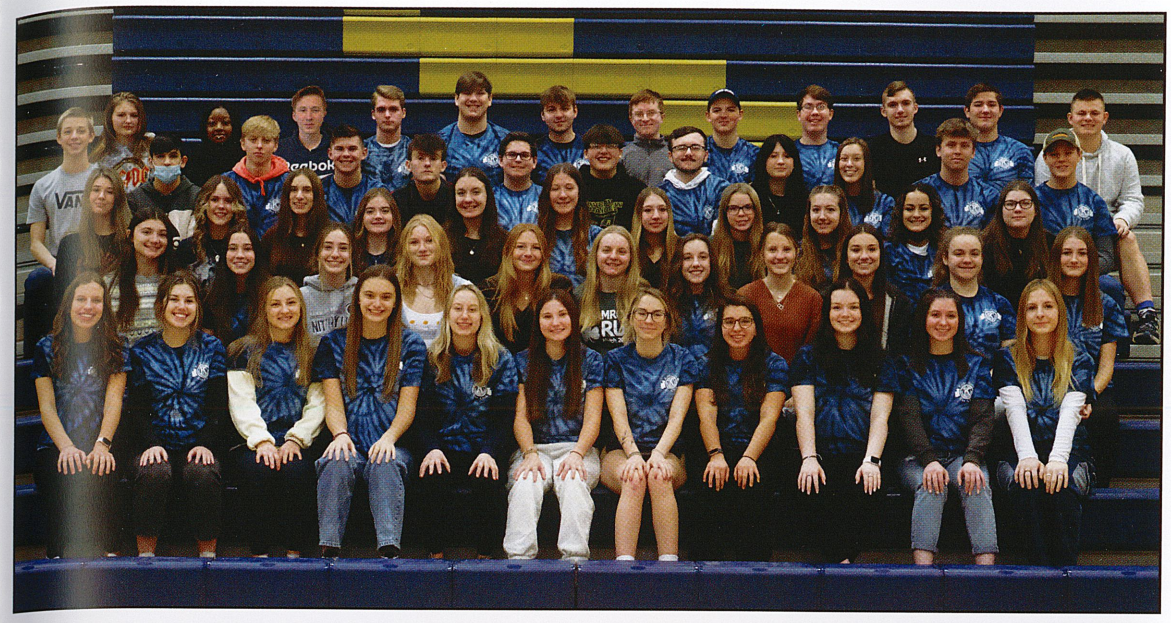

## Key Club 11

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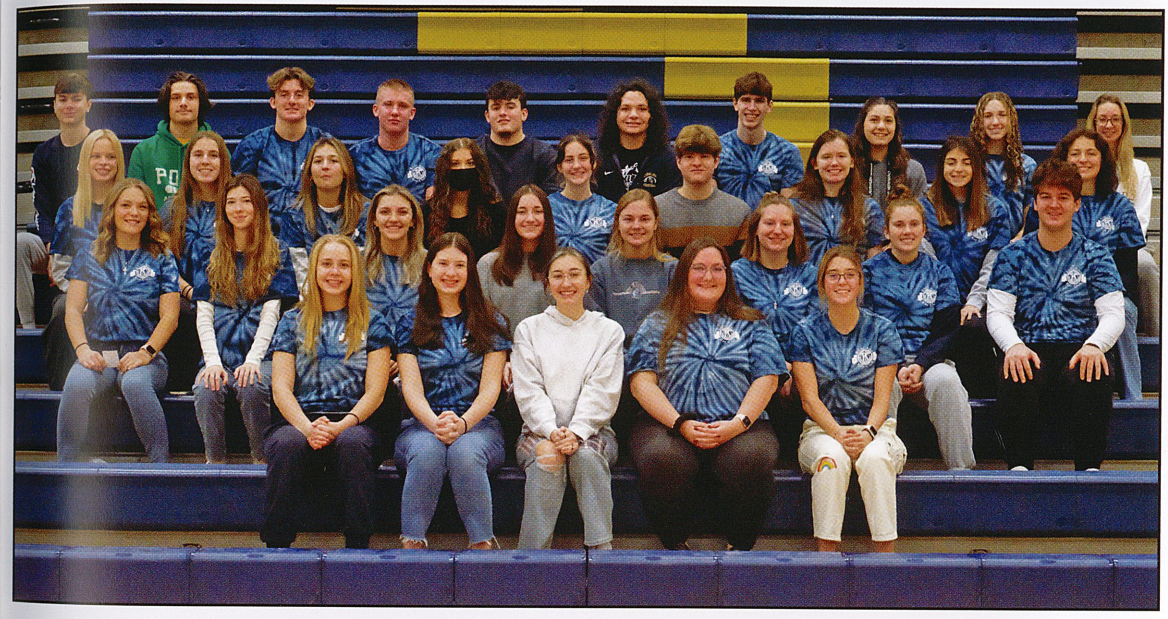

## Key Club 12

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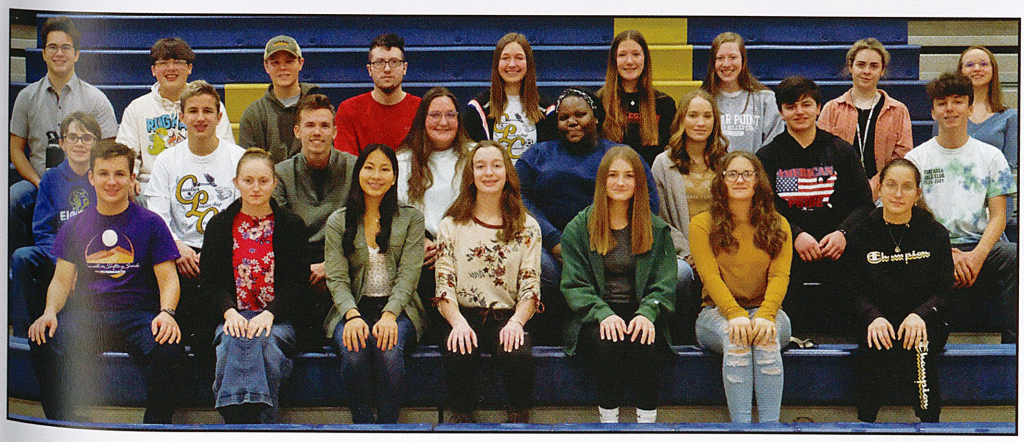

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"I sold ducks for a basketball game with Annie Bowser (11). It's how we met, and during our shift, we talked the entire time. We're friends because of Key Club."

*Ryan Neff* (11)

Describe a memorable moment as a Key Club member.

BEST *advice*

"WE MAKE A LIVING BY WHAT WE GET. WE MAKE A LIFE BY WHAT WE GIVE."

*CHELSEY GOHEEN* (12)

KEY TO SUCCESS

For the 9-12 division of the Key Club Talent Show, Olivia Shirley and Katie Lewis perfect their synchronization while in a hinge.

Photo: 2016 *Campus*, p. 27

# why THAT particular CLUB?

## Library Aides

"I am glad Logan (Reynolds) talked me into helping him with the coffee shop during his period. It's a nice, easy period and a good mental break in the middle of my day."

*Josh Schrader* (12)

## Office Aides

"I like working in the office because I like working with Carly (Mrs. Roenigk), and it makes my days a lot better."

*Madisyn Coulter* (12)

## Best Buddies

"Best Buddies is unique in that it incorporates a bunch of different people from different social groups together and helps everyone to make new friends. The Christmas party this year was a great time."

*Lillian Gibbon* (12)

## SHOUT

"My older sister Payton made me join, and I ended up liking it anyways."

*Reilly Sullivan* (10)

## GMK

"I joined GMK because it seemed fun, and I enjoy doing studio and video productions."

*Ryan Schmidt* (11)

## Student Store

"I joined because I like interacting with the other students. I am also in accounting, and I do all the accounting work for the store."

*Joe Lukas* (12)

### Library Aides

*Front Row:* Nevaeh Riggle, Emma Mellinger, Madisyn Coulter, Isabel Ramos; *Back Row:* Miranda Weightman, Grace Wilferd, Clarissa Phillips, Phoebe Richard. *Not Pictured:* Caylie Tursky, Logan Reynolds, Joshua Schrader. *Adviser:* Mr. Swanson.

### Office Aides

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### Best Buddies

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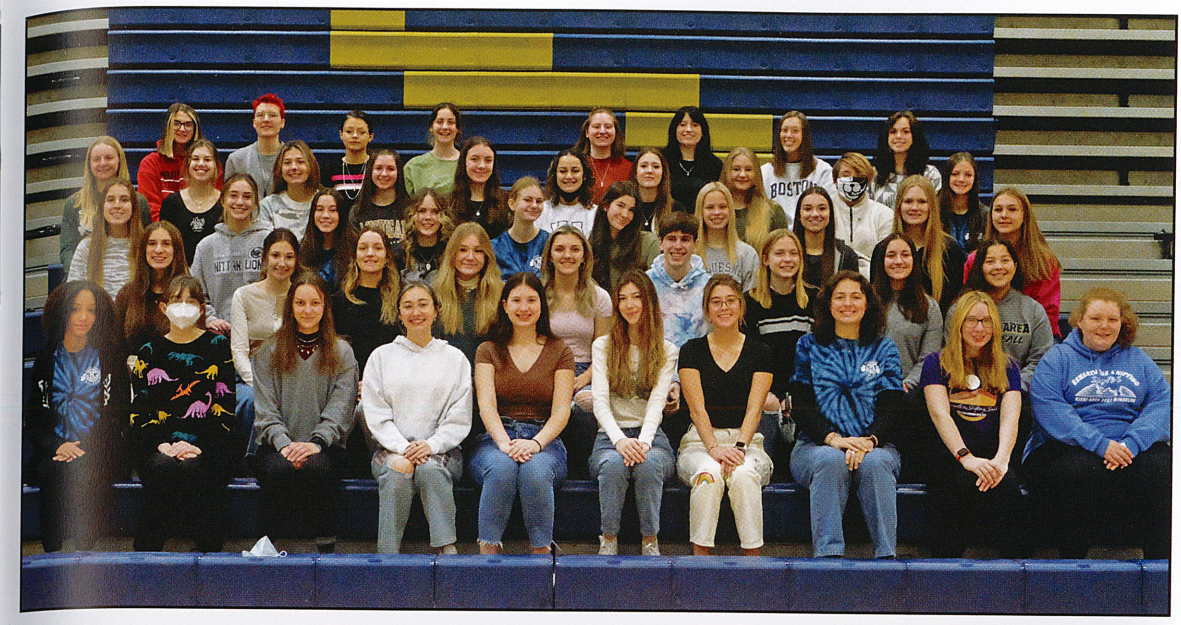

## SHOUT

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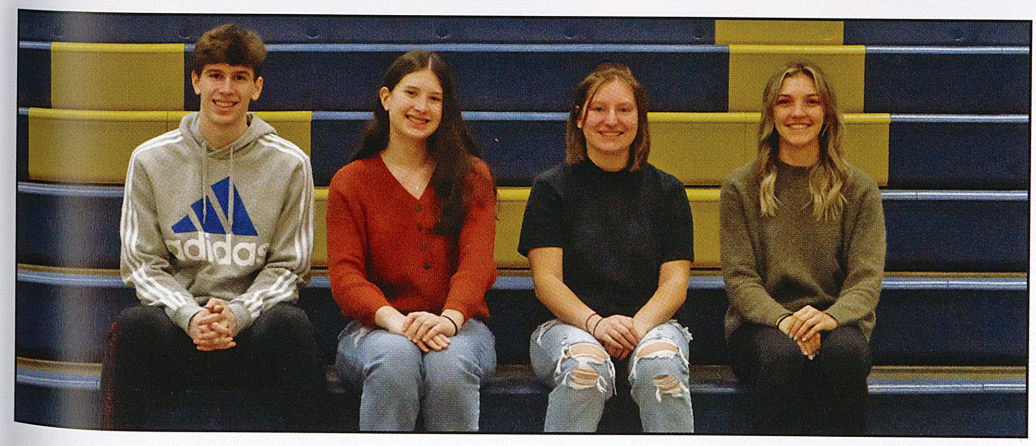
## Good Morning, Kiski

*Front Row:* Tatum Antimary, Chassidy Kamer, Emma Mellinger, Ryan Schmidt; *Row 2:* Garrett Seymour, Grace Wilferd, Jackson Bielek, Pailey Vitale. *Adviser:* Ms. Richert.



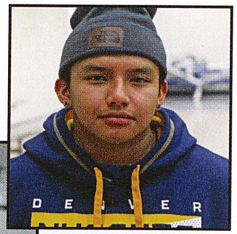

## Student Store

*Front Row:* Joe Lukas, Shannon Brown, Katelyn Bombalski, Hannah Kastelic. *Not Pictured:* Payton Sullivan, Reilly Sullivan, Makenna MacLean. *Advisers:* Mrs. Gracey and Mrs. Valeski.

Discuss a hilarious moment that happened while working in the coffee shop.

"Someone left a weird squishy ball in the coffee shop. I threw it up, and it stuck in the ceiling. It stayed there for at least a day."

*Logan Reynolds* (12)




BEST *advice*

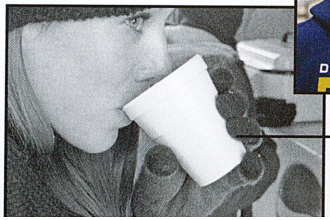
"ACCEPT BOTH COMPLIMENTS AND CRITICISMS; IT TAKES BOTH SUN AND RAIN FOR A FLOWER TO GROW."

*CAITLYN BURTON (12)*

CUPS OF GREATNESS

In front of the canteen, Kayli Duppstadt warms up with a cup of hot chocolate at the annual Telethon event in front of the recently closed K-Mart.

Photo: 2009 *Campus*, p. 18



# why THAT particular CLUB?

## Fall Drama Cast

"I joined because it's fun, it's my senior year, and I gained relationships through doing it."

*Madi Leith* (12)

## Fall Drama Stagecrew

"It's fun, and I got to do it with my friend group."

*Bella Uskuraitis* (12)

## Ski

"I wanted to join because snowboarding is already one of my favorite hobbies."

*Luke Cawley* (11)

## Musical Cast

"I wanted to step out of my comfort zone because I want to have a career in the music industry."

*Akila Yaw* (12)

## Musical Crew

"I signed up to be a seamstress because I am a creative person and love doing hands-on work. I also like to be involved in school clubs. I did make-up crew at my old school and had a good time."

*Chassidy Kamer* (11)

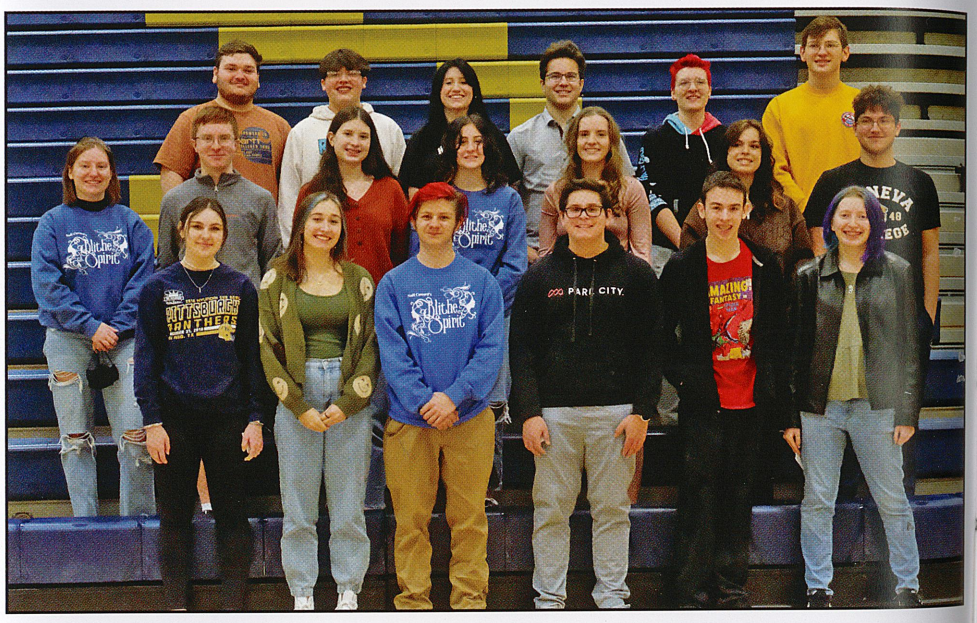
## Dance Team

"I just started going to the practices with my sister Haley, and then I started managing the team."

*Kaelyn Phillips* (10)

## Fall Drama Cast

*Front Row:* Shannon Brown, Lauren Michaels, Avery Toy, Ava Hutchinson; Back Row: Garrett Fryar, Landon Newell, Bryant Brzozowski, Madison Leith. *Not Pictured:* Jordan Hutchinson. *Director:* Ms. Hansberry.



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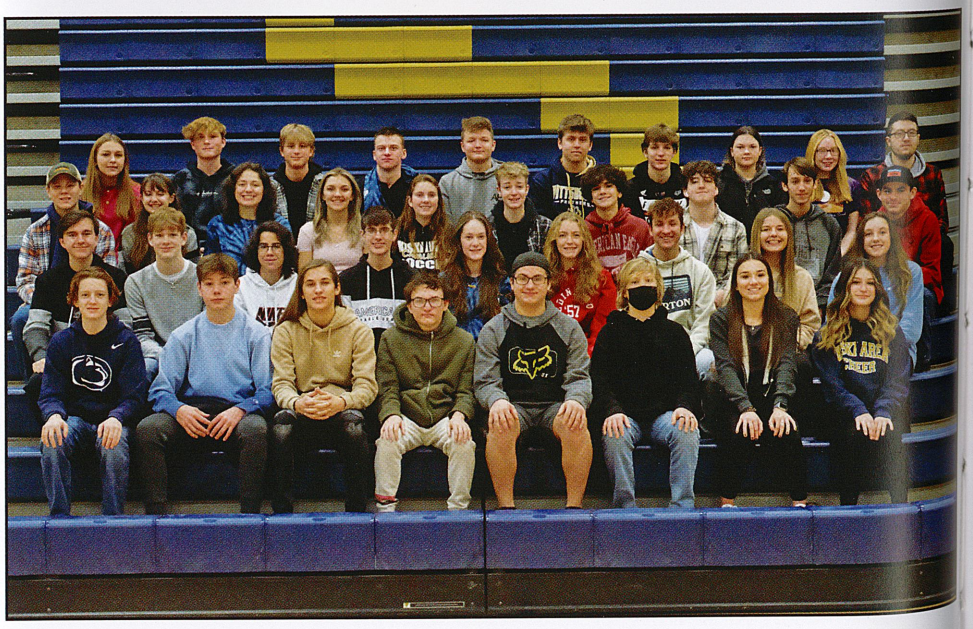

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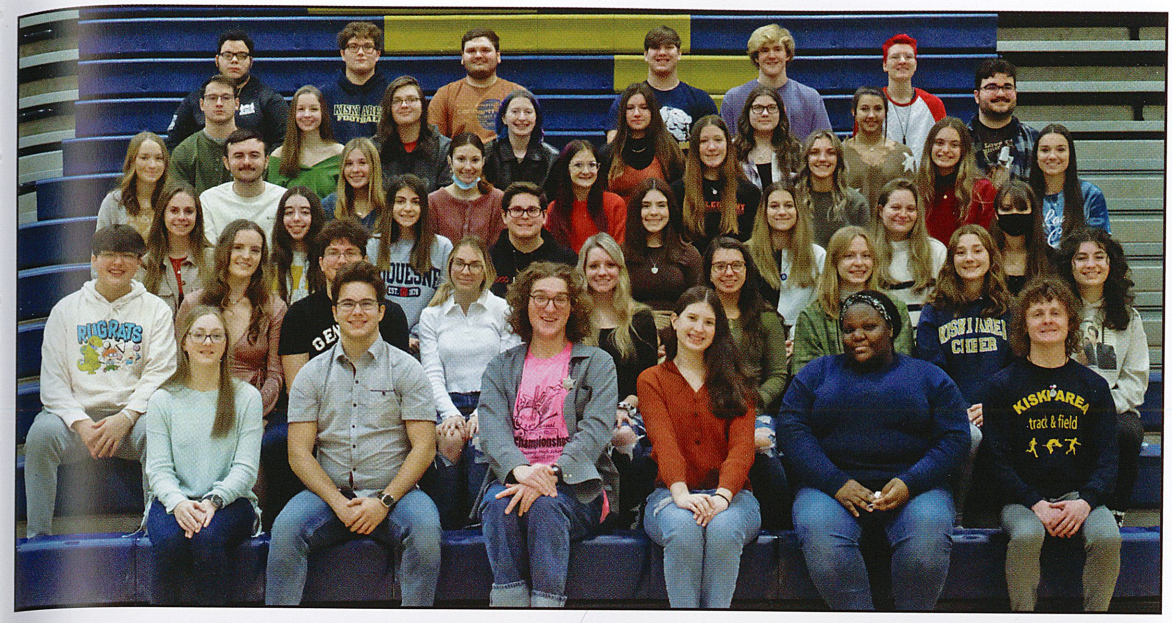

## Spring Musical Cast

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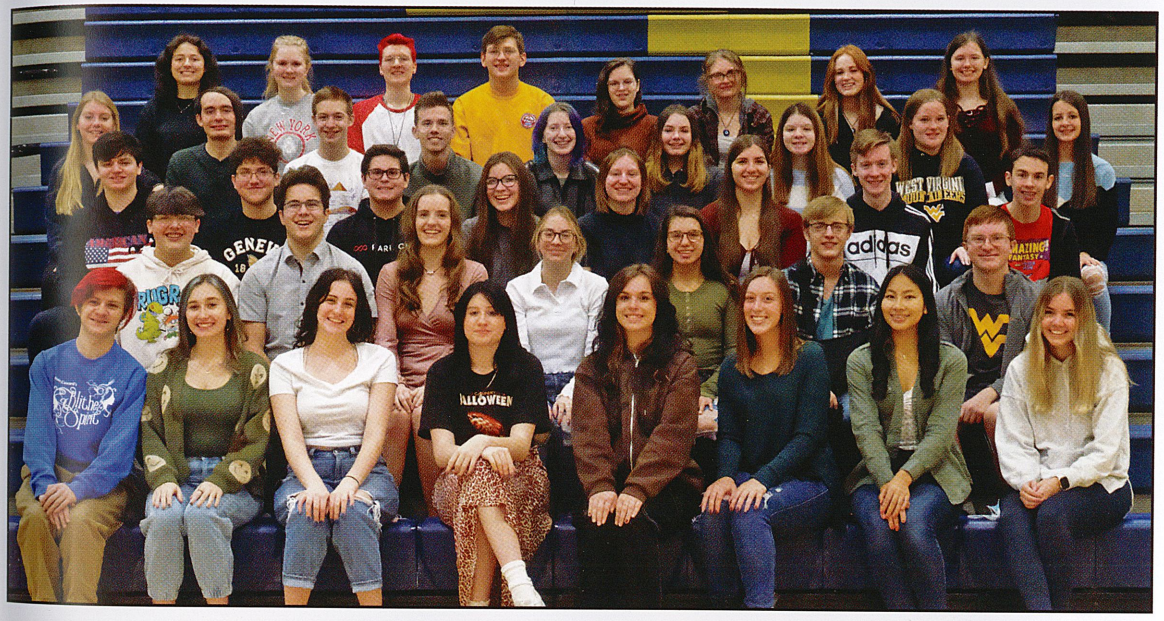

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## Dance Team

*Front Row:* Haley Phillips, Nick Neal, Kaelyn Phillips. Not Pictured: Maria Heath. *Director:* Mrs. Padasak.

Discuss something memorable that happened during Musical.

"I made a friendship with Tanner Knapp over an argument over mustard and ketchup. It was during the musical *Tarzan*, and we have been friends ever since."

*Brandon Ray* (10)

## BEST advice

"IF YOU'RE A BEGINNING SKIER, MAKE SURE YOU HAVE A FRIEND WHO WILL STAY WITH YOU."

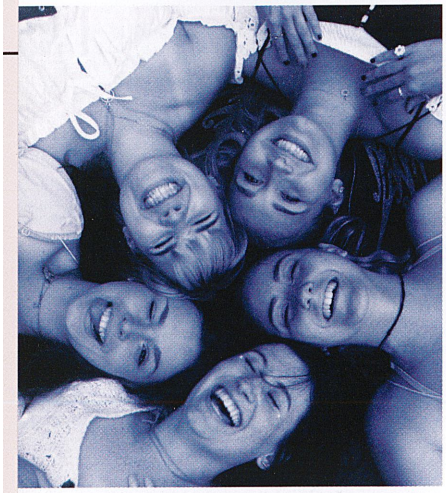
*JACOB SMITH (10)*

## PERFORMANCE

Fully flexible, Millie, played by graduate Susan Kessler performs a dip with Steven Bumbarger's support. *Thoroughly Modern Millie* ran in the spring of 2009.

Photo: 2010 *Campus*, p. 176

Featuring: *G. Kraus* (11)



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### Sweet sixteen...

On her trampoline at home in Murrysville, Gianna Kraus (11), Annie Bowser (11), Liv Croney (12), Bella Uskuraitis (12), and Loraine Getty (11) gather to celebrate Kraus' 16th birthday. Kraus said, "It was a fairy-gardenesque-themed party. The girls dressed as fairies, and the guys dressed as pirates." Everyone who attended partook in a crafty pixie-dust activity that involved glitter and glass jars.

### Taking a bite out of crime...

Officer Mark Heider and his dog Mibo demonstrate the canine's capabilities during a Lunch and Learn workshop put on by Mrs. McAfee for her Criminal Law classes. Librarian Mr. Swanson said, "Mibo was all business, but the officer's personal dog Finn seemed to just want some attention, and he didn't quite know how to get it." Overall, about 40 students attended the December 17 event.

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Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

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## pennies add up

Photo: 1980 *Campus* Page 159

### World record broken...

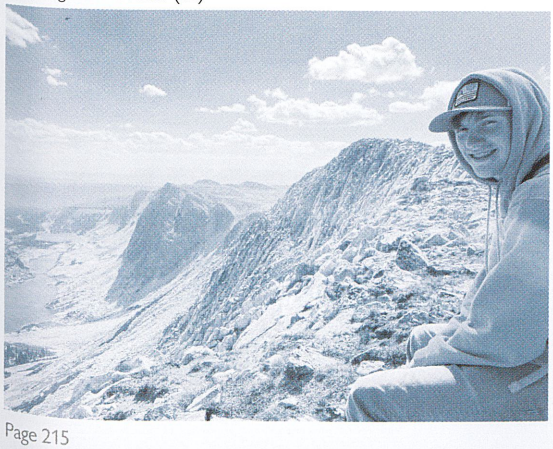
For years and years, various clubs and organizations at the high school have joined to collect money for the annual Christmas Telethon. Dating back to the late 1970s, funds collected have benefited the Salvation Army, Children's Hospital, St. Vincent de Paul, the Goodwill, and other local charities. Still, one event collected more money (in pennies) than any other event in history.

The 1980 Telethon broke a world record by gathering 3,297 pounds of pennies; that amounted to a whopping $4,879, breaking a world record for collected copper cents.

Members of the Pittsburgh Steelers attended the Telethon to help recognize the efforts of everyone involved in the monumental event.

# COMMUNITY

Featuring: *O. Werkeiser* (12)



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### Happy tears of joy...

Shortly after the release of the cast list for *Shrek*, the spring musical, Kamryn Suman (11) hugs Isabella Bendtsen (10) after both received feature dancer parts. "I was so happy to see the list with Bella. We were ecstatic that we would be able to use our dancing talents in the musical," Suman said. In the past, Suman had appeared in *Legally Blonde.*

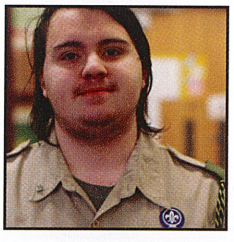
### Birds' eye view...

High above the Laramie Mountains in Laramie, WY, Owen Werkeiser (12) takes in the breath-taking views. Werkeiser said, "I spent a whole week out there. Being up on that mountain made me feel almost insignificant." Werkeiser and his Aunt Meredith traveled there to visit his cousin Mike.

What organization holds a special place in your heart?

"I really like the Boy Scouts of America which is a group where we do service projects for the community. I am an Eagle Scout in Troop 208 out of Export, PA."

*Nathan Meyer* (11)



# SPOTLIGHT on our YEAR

Featuring: *L. Smith* (11) - Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

## MARCH

### Double Diamonds...

A beautiful late March afternoon served as the backdrop for a 4:00 varsity baseball game against Penn Hills and a 5:00 varsity softball game against Woodland Hills.

On the boys' side, Kyle Weiser (2021 grad) set down the Indians in order in the top of the first which sparked a four run offensive explosion in the bottom of the first, highlighted by a two-RBI Carson Craig (2021 grad) triple. Weiser pitched a rock-solid game, and the offense, which included a three-hit performance by Michael Shoemaker (2021 grad), never let up as the home team won their home opener over Penn Hills 14-4 in five innings.

On the girls' side, a bases-clearing triple in the top of the second helped ignite Woodland Hills to an early 4-0 lead. But, pitcher Hannah Simpson (11) battled, and the offense found their bats as they fought to a 5-5 tie in the bottom of the fifth inning. Unfortunately, the Wolverines plated four runs in the top of the seventh to spoil the home opener and beat the Lady Cavs 9-5. Simpson recorded 16 strikeouts in the defeat.

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## April 1st

### Jolly Roger raised...

With low expectations by the fans for the Pirates '21 campaign, the team traveled to Chicago to take on the Cubs in their season opener. In his first at-bat of the season, rookie third baseman Ke'Bryan Hayes launched a 410-foot home run into the wind in left field at Wrigley Field to lift the Pirates to an early 2-0 first inning lead. Chad Kuhl started the game, and six relievers each pitched one inning as they helped finish out the Pirates' 5-3 victory. Reliever Sam Howard earned the win, and Richard Rodgriguez closed out the ninth for his first save of the year. Adam Frazier also shined at the plate going 2-4 with two RBIs and two runs scored.

Photo: *Tribune-Review*

Photo: *Indianapolis Star*

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### Baylor Bears bully Bulldogs...

The Gonzaga Bulldogs appeared to become the team of destiny with an undefeated season going into the championship game and a miraculous buzzer-beater three-pointer to win their semifinal matchup against UCLA. However, the Baylor Bears' squad had their own thoughts about Gonzaga's season.

In the NCAA Men's Basketball Championship Game, Baylor raced out to a 9-0 lead. Halfway through the first half, they had increased it to 29-10. Gonzaga cut into the lead, but never had their deficit margin below nine points. The win represented Baylor's first men's basketball championship and ended Gonzaga's quest to become the first undefeated champion since the 1976 Indiana Hoosiers.

Photo: *K. Poleski* (fac)

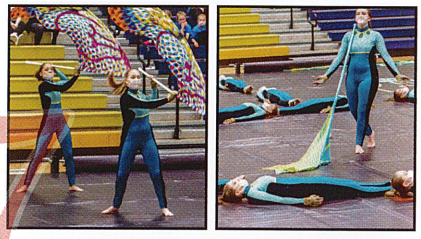
## Trivia tried and true...

Trivia aficionado Eddie Fuhrer (2021 grad) competed in the Individual Player National Tournament sponsored by the National Academic Quiz Tournaments. In a field of 111 competitors spread amongst 23 states and the District of Columbia, Fuhrer fought his way to a 44th place finish. With his strengths in political science, history, English, and current events, a place on the game show *Jeopardy!* may sit in Fuhrer's future.

## Guarded performances...

An evening exhibition in Gym A with four sets of Kiski winterguards produced four entertaining performances. To top it off, the Slippery Rock University Winterguard showed off their skills for the parents and family members.

The two high school squads performed their shows *En"light"en* and *Heart of Gold*. Sidney Mowers (12) said, "It was the first time in a long time that we performed in front of a large crowd, so it was really nice to feed off the energy of the audience."



Photos: *Frank J. Rossi Jr.*

## Playing at PNC...

The boys' baseball team got the opportunity to play on the same field that many of Major League Baseball's greats have set foot. PNC Park served as the backdrop for a non-section game against Seneca Valley. The Raiders needed an opponent for this game, and Athletic Director John Peterman jumped at the chance. The game turned into a back and forth affair with Seneca Valley taking a 3-2 lead in the bottom of the third inning. However, the fightin' Cavs did not let that last long as they tied it up when Evan Culp (12) reached base on an error.

With the game knotted at 3-3, both pitching staffs dominated through the end of the seven-inning game. Derek Hald (2021 grad) went two for three, and LeBryn Smith (11) and Carson Craig (2021 grad) each pitched two scoreless innings.

Photo: *Deacon Blues*

## Hannah hurls no-no...

Avenging an early-season loss to Woodland Hills brought out a gem of a pitching performance from Hannah Simpson (11). An early 2-0 first inning lead that eventually grew to 8-0 allowed Simpson to find her groove and pitch a no-hitter with 18 strikeouts against the Wolverines. Woodland Hills only put the ball in play three times in the seven-inning affair.

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

Photo: *P. Vitale* (12)

## Youth that care...

One hundred students spread out over 10 locations to help the community in the annual *Youth Day of Caring*. Key Club and Student Council members got dirty to help clean up or organize at locations such as the Casino Theatre, Roaring Run, and St. Vincent DePaul. The warm weather helped make the day a productive one.

Discuss the first thing you see that tells you spring has sprung.

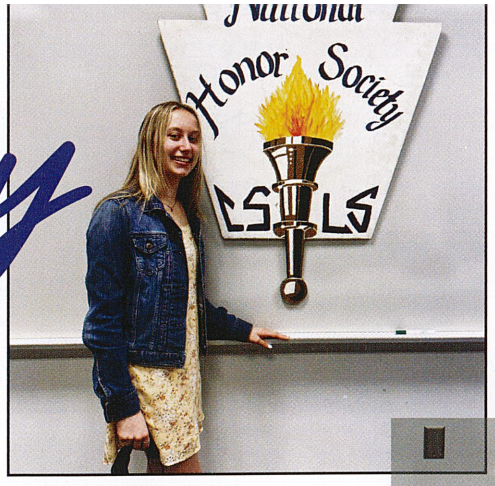
"I know that spring is here when I see all of the blooming flowers."

*Reagan Hewitt* (9)

Students enjoyed a warm spring day eating lunch in the courtyard.

Photo: 1981 *Campus*, p. 8

# May THE FOURTH




Submitted: *L. Colaianni* (11)

## Inductions done differently...

The National Honor Society (NHS) Induction Ceremony took on a much-earlier-in-the-day feel. Normally held in the evening, sponsors Mrs. Flick and Ms. Richert decided to honor the new inductees and the outgoing members with a split event. Due to a large inductee class and a smaller venue (LGI room instead of the auditorium), the ceremony occurred in the following waves: 9:30-10:30 AM for seniors, juniors, and track attendees with 12:30-1:30 PM reserved for the sophomores.

"It was a nice ceremony, but I wished it could have been in the evening and our parents could have attended," Lexi Colaianni (11) said.

## Off with thy mask...

Photo: *Vox*

An announcement from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announced that all vaccinated individuals no longer needed to wear a mask in most situations. This marked a big step towards a return to pre-pandemic life. While still urging all Americans to get vaccinated, President Joe Biden said, "If you are fully vaccinated, you no longer need to wear a mask. Get vaccinated, or wear a mask until you do." At the time, masks could still become a "must" in public transportation settings, hospitals, and businesses that chose to continue with the mandate.

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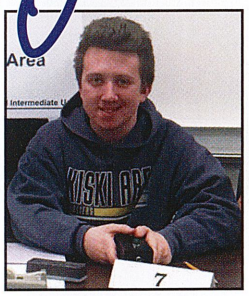

Photo: *K. Poleski (fac)*

## Quality quissing Ed...

Congratulations went out to Eddie Fuhrer (2021 grad) after he earned a spot on the All-State Greater Pennsylvania Quiz Bowl First Team. Voted on by college coaches and moderators, he made the list as one of the top five players in the state. Starting in 2015, Fuhrer became the first player named to the first team from Westmoreland County and the first western Pennsylvanian that did not attend Central Catholic or Allderdice High School.

AP 25

## Testing commencement...

The Advanced Placement Physics C test started the AP testing season with AP Statistics concluding it. In the afternoon of the 25th, 83 students piled into the library to hopefully earn at least a three, but preferably a four or five on the test to receive college credit in statistics. Overall, 613 students in 14 subjects spread over three and half weeks attempted the feat. Even freshmen got into the action with some taking the AP US History test and others taking the AP Computer Science Principles test. Students expected to learn their fate with the release of the scores in July.

## Boneheaded Bucco gaffe...

A 12:35 Pirate game, a beautiful sun-filled day, a home run catch by Zachary Hald (7), and a colossal gaffe on the part of the Bucs gave members of the Class of '21 a memorable event at the conclusion of their high school careers. While the Pirates ended up losing the game 5-3 to the Chicago Cubs, two runs should have never happened as first baseman Will Craig forgot that stepping on first base would have ended the third inning and prevented any runs from scoring. Unfortunately, after a sharply hit ball to third base, the throw across the diamond to get Javier Baez of the Cubs pulled Craig off of the bag. Baez stopped and ran back towards home. Craig chased Baez. In the meantime, Willson Contreras scored from second and miraculously, Baez evaded any tag and wound up at second base. He eventually scored. The brain freeze by Craig would have been completely avoided had he simply stepped on first base when Baez stopped in the baseline. That would have chalked up the third out, and no runs would have scored. At least Hald (younger brother of Derek Hald (2021 grad)) made it onto AT&T Sportsnet with a pretty impressive catch in right centerfield of a home run off the bat of Pirates' catcher Michael Perez in the 7th inning.

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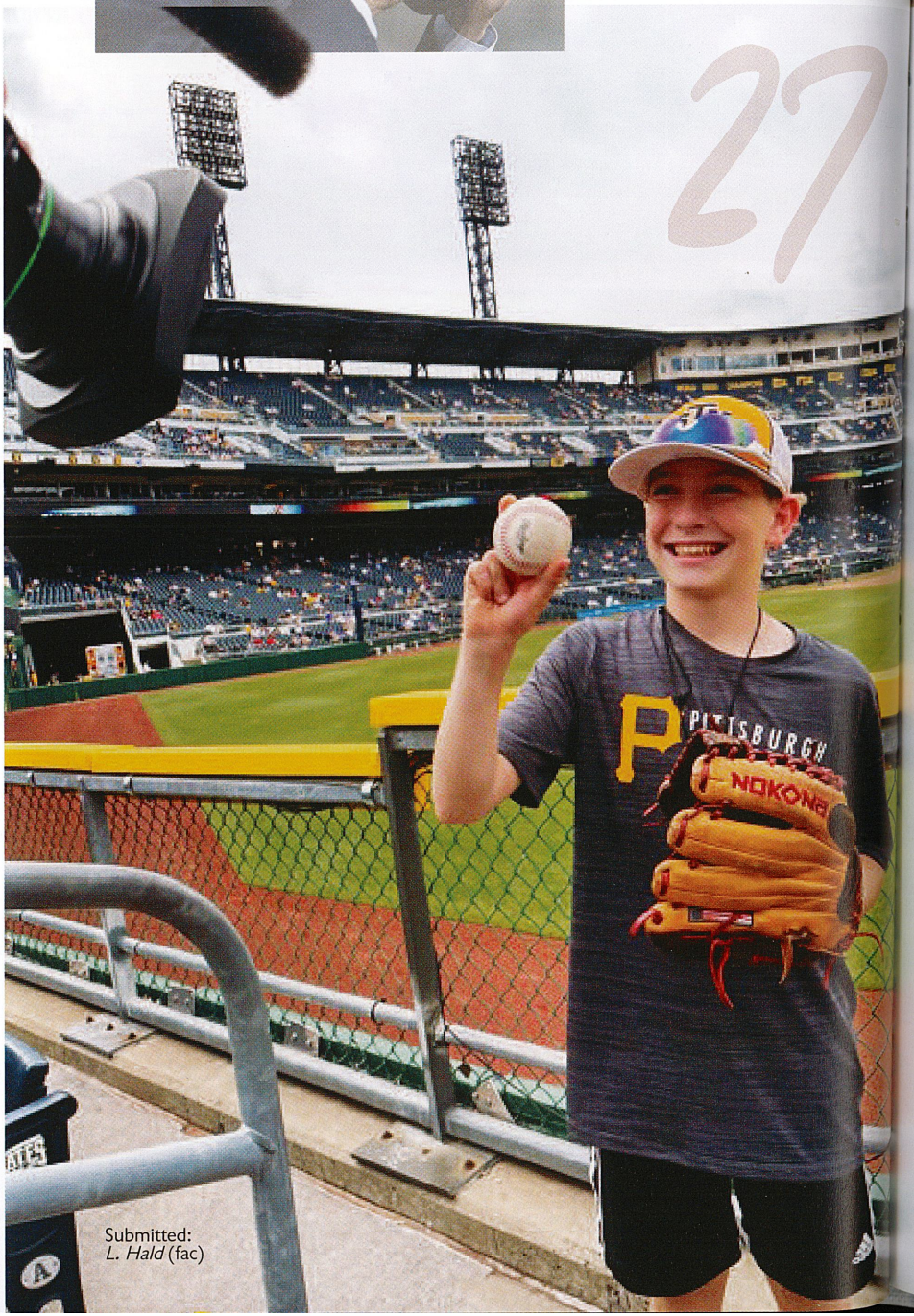


Submitted: *L. Hald* (fac)

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Featuring: *Olivia Croney* (12) - Photo: *L. Mamros* (2021 grad)

## Test, return, distribute...

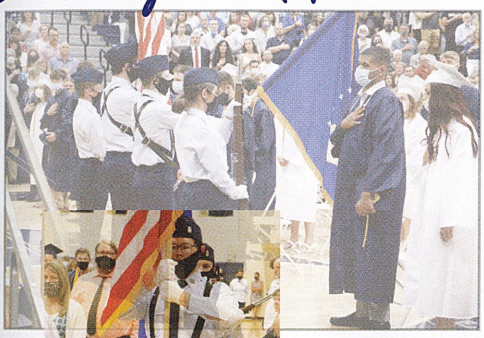
The day started with the last round of Keystone Literature exams. Upon the conclusion of the state-mandated assessment, the library transformed from a testing arena into a yearbook distribution center. Approximately 450 students signed for their yearbooks and took home the 59th edition of *Campus*. Beyond that, members of the Class of '21 also turned in their books and Chromebooks; they received their caps and gowns in the Atrium. Due to the concerns over the pandemic, over 100 students entered the building for the first time all year.

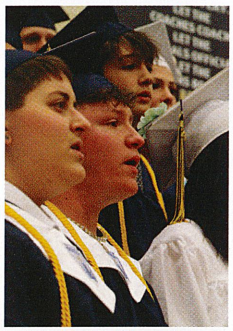
Photo: *T. Berzonsky* (fac)

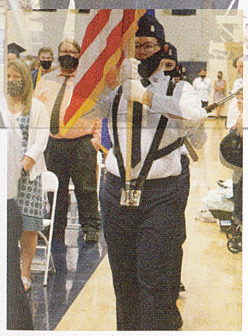
## Finally, the finale...

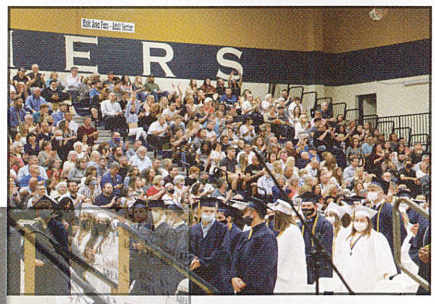
Coach Tom Berzonsky and his 4x800 girls' relay team of Emily Schrag (2021 grad), Jordan Fairman (2021 grad), Payton Sullivan (12), and Eliza Miller (10) traveled to Shippensburg University for the PIAA Track and Field Championships. Running against the best in the state in the AAA classification, the team finished 14th out 23 teams with a time of 9:56.35. The race capped off the high school track and field careers of Schrag and Fairman, and both planned to continue at their respective universities of IUP and Seton Hill.

## So long, and farewell...

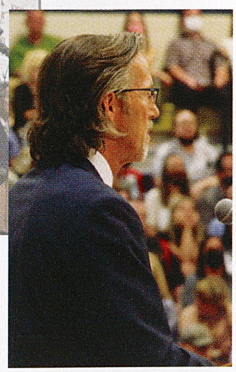








An unpredictable weather pattern forced the decision to move the graduation ceremonies indoors for the Class of '21. With a packed house in Gym A, Master of Ceremonies Eddie Fuhrer introduced all of the speakers, which included fellow graduates Anthony Delia and Rebekah Fowler. The evening concluded when Dr. Roland announced the 259 students had graduated. Many tossed their caps as they bid a final farewell as students of the Kiski Area School District.



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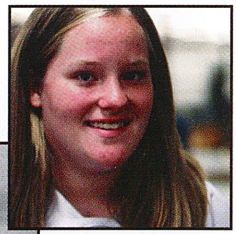
## Class of 21

## June

What goes through your mind at the end of the last day of school?

"We get two months off of school to hang out with all my friends all summer long."

*Baylee Davis* (9)



ENDINGS

Stacy Jastrzembski (1998 grad) got dirty in the Powderpuff game. Formerly a fall event, it has become a spring staple.

Photo: 1998 *Campus*, p. 194

# Summer ADVENTURES

## As travel mandates lifted, students enjoyed freedom to travel

1. Bella Uskuraitis (12), Olivia Croney (12), and Xaiden Connelly (10) at the Hella Mega Tour at PNC Park, Pittsburgh, PA

2. Tyler Kush (9) at Deep Creek, MD

3. Emmalee Mortensen (12) and her family at Cedar Point in Sandusky, OH

4. Mackenzie Knapp (11) and Jordyn Hudek (10) at Bethany Beach, DE

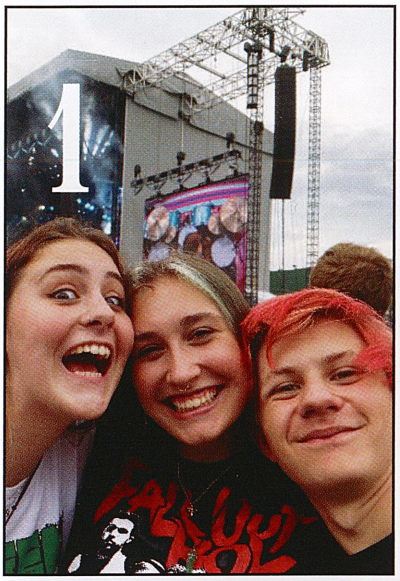
5. Evin Brice (11) at Topsail Beach, NC

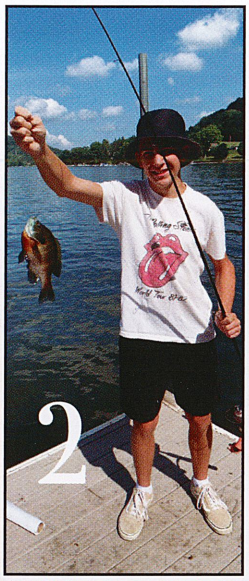
6. Josh Schrader (12) and Logan Reynolds (12) at New Smyrna Beach, FL

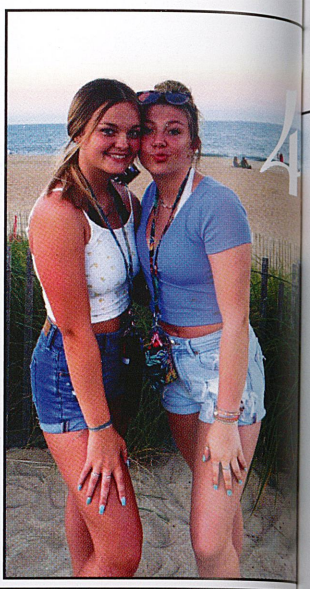
7. Dylan Arner (12) at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis, IN

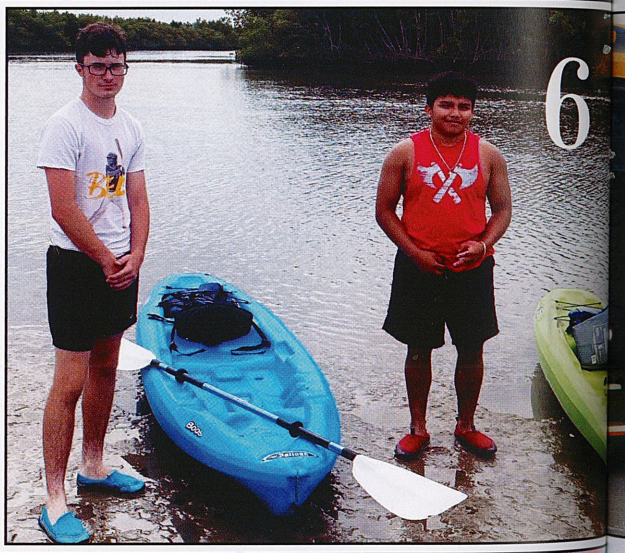
8. Clockwise from bottom: Loraine Getty (11), Gianna Kraus (11), Annie Bowser (11), Olivia Croney (12), Bella Uskuraitis (12) at Kraus's fairy tale 16th birthday party in Murrysville, PA

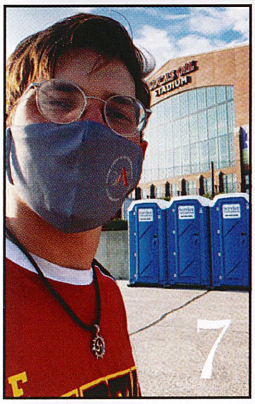
9. Sara Shannon (10) and her dad at Kennedy Space Center in Cape Canaveral, FL







*"When I was seven, my family and I visited Marco Island, FL. I really liked how convenient it was to reach the beach since our hotel was right there."*

*Keagan Bowser (9)*

# July

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### Two-Timing Tampa...

The Tampa Bay Lightning successfully defended their crown as they defeated the Montreal Canadiens four games to one. Unable to complete the sweep in game four, goalie Andrei Vasilevskiy stopped all 22 shots he faced in game five to enable the Lightning to win their second consecutive Stanley Cup and third in franchise history. They supplanted the Penguins in 2017 as the most recent team to repeat as Stanley Cup champions. Vasilevskiy's stellar playoff run earned him the Conn Smythe Trophy as the playoff MVP. He also had strung together shutouts in five consecutive playoff-series-clinching games (including the 2020 Stanley Cup championship).

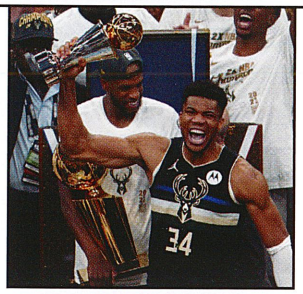

Photo: *Madison.com*

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### Drought endeth...

It took 50 years for the Milwaukee Bucks to bring home a second NBA Championship, but Giannis Antetokounmpo helped secure the game six win with 50 points and 14 rebounds enroute to a 105-98 win in the final game. On a quest to win their first NBA Championship, the Phoenix Suns started out by winning the first two games of the series. But, Milwaukee figured out the Suns and used a relentless defense to disrupt Chris Paul and Devin Booker. Antetokounmpo earned the Finals MVP award. The day after the series concluded, Antetokounmpo took his Finals MVP Trophy and the team's Larry O'Brien (NBA Championship) Trophy through a Milwaukee area Chick-fil-A and ordered 50 chicken minis. "I was supposed to be in Vegas right now partying, but I'm here ordering Chick-fil-A," Antetokounmpo said. "These trophies are not leaving my sight. What if, all of a sudden, I wake up and this is all a dream? These trophies are my security, basically. Like I touch them and know this is real."

Photo: *J. Swanson (fac)*

# August

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### New year means schedule change...

The new school year started with full hallways, full cafeterias, and a full eight-period day. Students met all eight of their teachers on the first day (and second day) and got acclimated to an eight-period day again since students will utilize that model on most Fridays (eight-period days ended after the 2015-2016 school year.) Block scheduled days resumed on Monday, August 30. Regarding the eight period day, Aidan Bardine (12) said, "It took a little bit to get used to, but I definitely prefer the four period days. Even though it messed with my work release periods, it really wasn't a big deal."

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### Off on right foot...

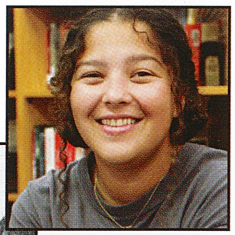
More fans, more seating, a finished concession stand, and an opening game win for the football team helped create a feel of returning to Friday night normalcy. A beach theme, pre-game hot dogs on the grill, and cornhole fired up the student section as they cheered on the team. The band performed before the game, cheerleaders led the cheers, and parents supported their sons and daughters in the 21-7 win over the Butler Golden Tornadoes. A slow start to both offenses eventually led by a pair of rushing touchdowns by Logan Johnson (12) and Brock Wilkins (12). Later, Matt Hilty (12) caught a 49-yard touchdown pass from Johnson to ice the game.

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

What goes through your mind at the start of the first day of school?

"I want to go home, but I am excited to talk to people."

*Isabel Ramos* (11)



NEW STARTS

Morgan Gengo (2006 grad) collects spare change for the victims of devastating Hurricane Katrina.

Photo: 2006 *Campus*, p. 18

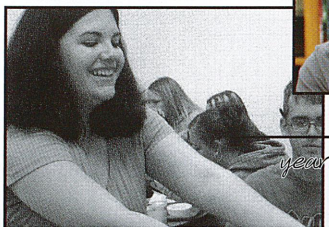


Photo: *NY Post*

## Twenty year conflict ends...

The longest war in the United States' history ended nearly 20 years after it started when the last planes left the Kabul airport in Afghanistan. The War on Terror began after the hijacking and crashing of planes at the World Trade Center, the Pentagon, and Shanksville, PA. The final planes that airlifted thousands of Americans and Afghans left amid chaos and a Taliban takeover of the country. Thirteen service members and hundreds of civilians died when a suicide bomber blew himself up in the last days of the

# September

## Doubly good night...

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Officials mandated a maximum of three sets for the junior varsity volleyball team and a maximum of five sets for the varsity squad. The matches against the Greensburg Salem Golden Lions went the maximum distance in both matchups as the home teams took home a pair of victories. The junior varsity girls claimed the decisive third set, winning by the score of 15-11. Their long match delayed the start of the 7:00 varsity match, which developed into a first set back-and-forth thriller that ended with a 29-27 victory for the Lady Cavs. The Golden Lions won the next two sets, but KA finished strong with fourth and fifth set victories by scores of 25-21 and 15-10.

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

## Long time comin'...

Since 2004, the football team had not started a football season with a 3-0 record... until now. After a strong performance in their 35-27 win over the Greater Latrobe Wildcats, the team hoped to ride the momentum throughout the season. Chad Hepler (12) rushed for 136 yards, including a key 30-yard touchdown run late in the game, and Logan Johnson (12) passed for 171 yards and scored the go-ahead touchdown in the fourth quarter. "We felt a little disappointed that we didn't play up to the level we expect from ourselves. But we are happy we won," Brock Wilkins (12) said.

Photo: *A. Wilkins* (par)

Photos: *C. Luciano* (par)

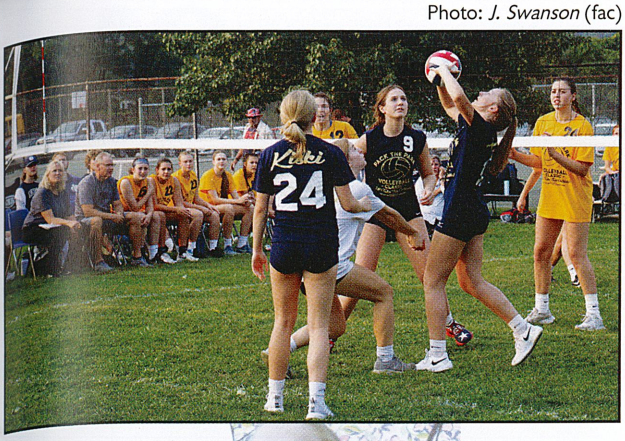
## Fitting tribute...

Between the girls' and boys' soccer games, the soccer field behind the Intermediate School became the Shawn L. Kuhn Memorial Field. Mr. Kuhn played an integral role in the upgrades to the soccer field and supported all Cavalier athletics. Coach Sean Arnold, Athletic Director John Peterman, and High School Principal Chad Roland spoke about Mr. Kuhn's legacy to the athletic department as those in attendance and the Kuhn family remembered all of his contributions.

"IT'S GREAT TO SEE OUR FOOTBALL TEAM WINNING EACH WEEK. WE'RE EXCITED FOR EACH GAME DAY. LET'S GET ON THE BUS AND SEE ANOTHER WIN."

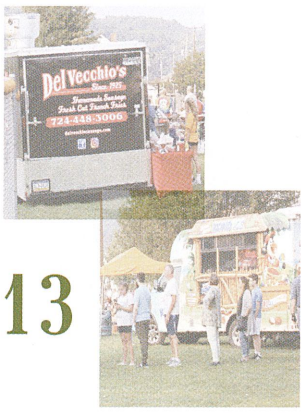
*JAMES COUSLIN (12)* AND *TYLER HELD (12)*

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)



## Serving up Kennedy Park...

A different playing surface and a nice, warm evening greeted the volleyball team and their opponents the Norwin Knights as they squared off in the inaugural *Pack the Park Classic* outdoor match at the Ellen Toy Grass Court at Kennedy Park in Vandergrift. Regarding playing on grass, Bryn Hewitt (11) said, "It was slippery at times. We all wore tennis shoes, but cleats would have helped out with the slipperiness." Food trucks enabled fans to enjoy a meal and snacks during the contest as a healthy crowd showed up to see the home team fall short against the Knights 3-1. "I really liked the event. While it was a competition on the court, there felt like there was a larger overall purpose to the evening. I thought it was great that the Franklin Regional volleyball team came as spectators to the event," Ms. Nicole Wadsworth (fac) said.

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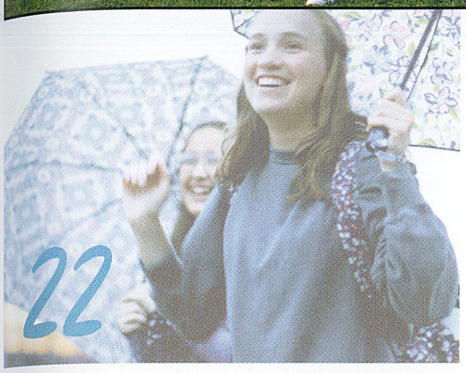

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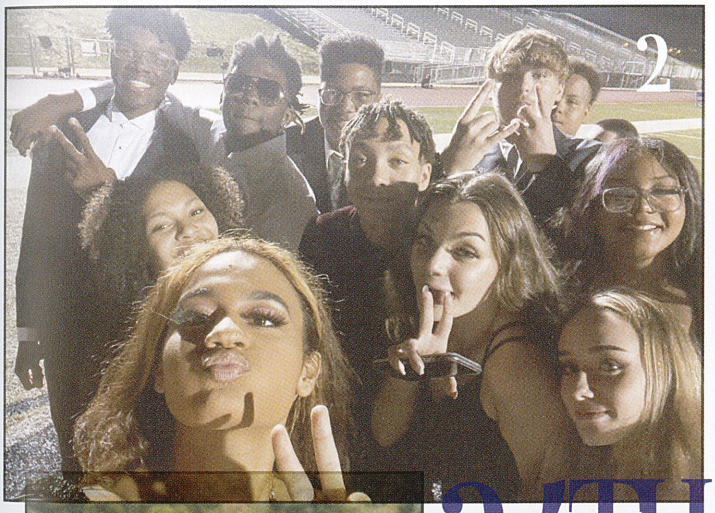
Photo: *G. Wilferd* (11)

Featuring: *A. Jodon* (10) *and A. Orowitz* (10)

## Faith undenied...

A dedicated group of students met at the flagpole for a morning prayer on a dreary, wet morning. As a part of the national student-led *See You at the Pole* (SYATP), the Bible Club invited all students to the local event. Lucas Vrudney (12) led in prayer and said, "It felt good. People showed up that I didn't expect, and the rain felt powerful." Ambur Orowitz (10) praised the fellowship opportunity when she said, "It was a very positive start to the day. When we said a prayer about the rain, it stopped." SYATP started in 1990.



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24TH AND 25TH

1. *Karissa Will* (12) and *Collin Martin* (12)
2. *Diamondlee Melendez* (9) and friends
3. *Emma Mellinger* (11) and *Grace Wilferd* (11)
4. *Samantha Brandt* (9) and friends
5. *Matt Clinger* (12) and *Madalyn Polka* (11)

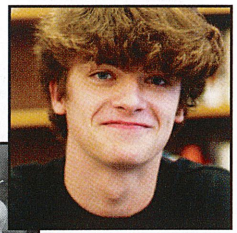
## Outdoor fun...

Friday night saw a defensive struggle as the football team took on the West Allegheny Indians. The low scoring affair saw only one touchdown when Brock Wilkins (12) broke through for a 37-yard touchdown run in the fourth quarter. The 7-0 win over the Indians staked the home team to its first 5-0 start since 1986. During halftime, Jocelyn Spencer (12) heard her name over the speakers, indicating that she garnered the most votes for Homecoming Queen. In the spirit of getting back to normal, a Homecoming Dance ensued on Saturday night. Students enjoyed an evening of dressing up, dancing, and socializing in the end zone of the football field nearest the concession stand for the affair. Cameran Thompson (12) said, "We all thought it would be too cold for an outdoor dance. It turned out just fine, and my friends and I had a great time. Doing it like this was a unique and great idea."

"Honey crisp. They are juicy, flavorful, always crisp like its names says, and never soft."

*Liam Alexander* (11)

When apple season arrives, what kind do you reach for?



Jamilyn Dykes (2018 grad) attempts to lead fruit flies in a plastic bottle chamber.

Photo: 2018 *Campus*, p. 18

# OCTOBER 5/6

## Career-focused creations captured...

With the high volume of students that Kiski Area sends to the Northern Westmoreland Career and Technology Center (NWCTC), the yearbook staff spent a pair of afternoons at the school to capture students in a different academic setting. Mr. Swanson took staffers on Oct. 5 while Mrs. Gracey went on Oct. 6. Cameras snapped, pens and pencils wrote, and clever minds created prose to tell the story of the NWCTC. After an afternoon of hard work, the staffers that went enjoyed a cool treat at the local Dairy Queen.

Photo: *J. Mattis* (11) Featuring: *Jackson Bielek* (12)

## Section IV shuffle...

Coach Tom Berzonsky willingly offered the cross country team's secondary home course of Northmoreland Park to host the WPIAL Section IV Championship. On the girls' side, Eliza Miller (10) broke her own Northmoreland Park course record finishing first overall with a time of 18:57. Lizeth Sesmas (12), Payton Sullivan (12), Josette Plazio (12), and Taylor Roland (9) rounded out the team's top five. The girls finished with six wins and two losses for the day. The boys' team also finished the day with a 6-2 record. Antonio Giordano (12), Paul Roberts (10), Justin Tucker (9), Hunter Heinack (10), and Phillip Miller (12) all finished within 1:02 of each other. This earned both teams a third place finish in the section.

6TH

Photo: *Bands of America* (Facebook)

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82.500 — Kiski Area H.S., PA
80.000 — Cleveland H.S., NC
77.900 — Norwin H.S., PA
76.750 — James Madison H.S., VA
76.350 — Thomas Jefferson H.S. for Science and Technology, VA
73.350 — John P. Stevens H.S., NJ
72.150 — Spring-Ford H.S., PA
69.300 — Westfield H.S., VA
69.050 — Susquehannock H.S., PA
68.350 — Westfield H.S., NJ
66.300 — John Champe H.S., VA
64.850 — Trumbull H.S., CT

Outstanding Music Performance - Kiski Area H.S., PA
Outstanding Visual Performance - Kiski Area H.S., PA
Outstanding General Effect - Kiski Area H.S., PA

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Photo: *E. Lynch* (10)

## Early start, late win...

A 5:00AM bus trip to College Park, MD ended with a Bands of America Mid-Atlantic Regional Championship for the marching band. They performed at 1:00PM for the Class AA preliminary round and took first place. For the finals, the band performed at 10:15PM and subsequently took first place again to win the entire competition. To add icing to the cake, they also earned the distinctions of Outstanding Music Performance, Outstanding Visual Performance, and Outstanding General Effect in both preliminary and final rounds. Audrey DeTurck (12) said, "I was surprised we won, but it was a great way to close out my senior year. A lot of hard work went into it and it really paid off." The win put the band in a class by itself as the only marching band in the nation to have won a Bands of America Regional in five different decades.

## Amazing feet...

At the Westmoreland County Coaches' Association cross country championships held at Westmoreland Community College, Eliza Miller (10) set a girls' course record and a personal record with a winning time of 18:08.3. This mark also bested the girls' school record. The second place runner crossed the finish line over a minute behind Miller with a time of 19:18.3.

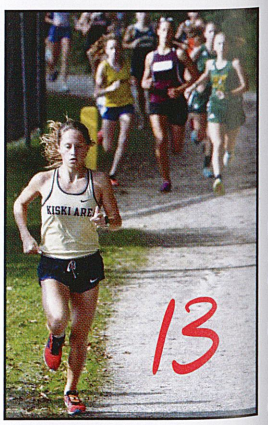

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Photo: Chaz Palla (Tribune-Review)

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Photo: *S. McMeans* (fac)

## A light night of music...

Cookies and Cantata helped raise funds for the Kiski Area Chorus Programs. At $5 per ticket, audience members ate cookies, watched the performers, and enjoyed an evening of music. Shannon Brown (12) said, "It was a great opportunity for chorus and ensemble members to sing the song of their choice, showcase their individual musical talents, and share their artistic love of music." Bryant Brzozowski (12) opened the show, Brown closed it, and a few performers showed off their piano and ukulele skills.

## Conn-vincing win...

The thirteenth-seeded girls' soccer team traveled to Connellsville for their first round playoff match-up and came home with a victory. Riley Koziatek (11) opened the scoring late in the first half with a goal after she got behind the defense. After Connellsville got the tying goal, Koziatek fed Payton Buffone (11) with 12 minutes left in the game and the defense held on for the 2-1 win.

The second round did not go as well as Montour shut down them down 5-0.

## Gateway to the 2nd round...

The sixth-seeded boys' soccer team took their higher ranking and bested the tenth seeded Gateway Gators 5-1 in the first round of the WPIAL 3A playoffs. A tight 1-0 first half lead grew quickly to a 4-0 lead in the second half. Goal scorers included Anders Bordoy (11), Owen Zimmerman (12), and Aaron Witt (12). Maddox Anderson nearly earned a shutout, but Gateway snuck one in with six minutes remaining in the already-decided contest.

Unfortunately, four nights later, the boys' team lost to Franklin Regional 6-4.

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Featuring: *Linzey Miller* (12)

## Corralled by Al Gal...

The nineteenth-seeded volleyball team also had a long road trip to Fayette County for their pigtail round playoff match-up, but unfortunately came up short in a hard-fought 3-0 loss to Albert Gallatin.

## Pair of Matt tricks...

In a home match against the Greensburg Salem Golden Lions, the hockey team staked the Lions to a 1-0 early lead. Matt Drahos (11) answered with three consecutive goals for a hat trick, followed by goals by Ethan Bombalski (9) and Matt Clinger (12) to make it a 5-1 lead. The teams traded goals to make it a 6-2 lead in the third period when Clinger received a five minute major penalty. Greensburg Salem rattled off three quick goals in the power play, but the team finished off the penalty and held on for the 6-5 win. Kyle Guido (11) also scored and Ryan Clinger (11), Guido, and Ethan George (11) all earned at least one assist.

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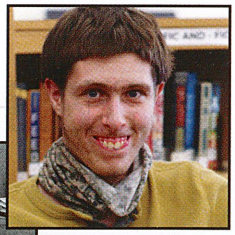
## Last photo op...

Many students took advantage of their last chance to get their picture taken for the yearbook. Strawbridge Studios set up three stations in the library to photograph anyone who missed the previous picture days in August and September or who wanted a retake. On average, 40-50 seniors neglect to get their picture taken for the yearbook, but this year's shortfall consisted of only about 15 seniors.

Discuss your favorite Halloween costume and why you chose it.

"I was a skeleton and I chose it mainly just to make sure I got the candy. It's all about the candy."

*Brandon Stiffy* (10)



Tony Emanuel (2003 grad) dresses up as Mrs. Gatto. Gatto said, "The hair was good, the nails were perfect, but I wouldn't be caught dead in that dress."

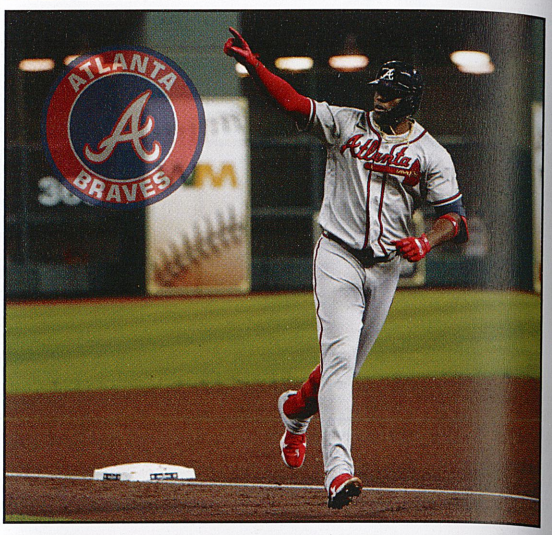
Photo: 2003 *Campus*, p. 124

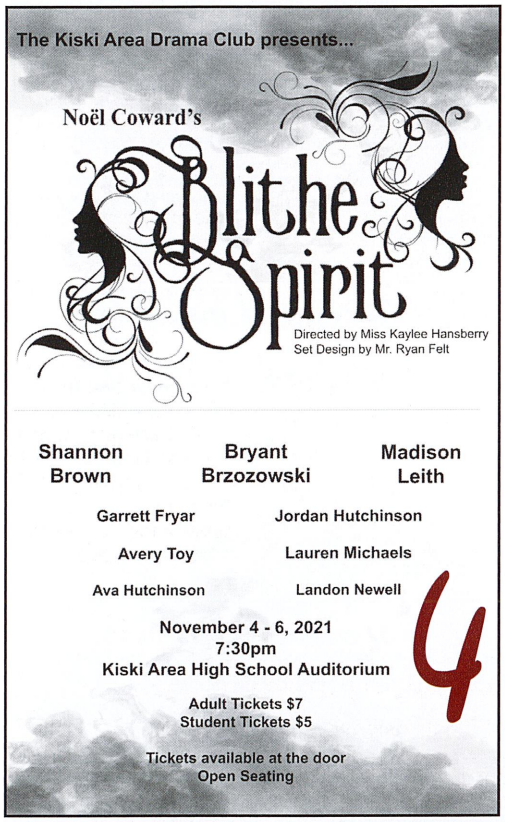
# November 2

## No longer preoccupied with 1995...

A dynasty in the '90s and early 2000s resulted in only one championship for the Atlanta Braves. After their fourth straight National League East crown and a 26 year World Series championship wait, the Braves defeated the Houston Astros four games to two. The Braves missed the opportunity to clinch the series on Halloween night in their home ballpark when the Astros came back from an early 4-0 deficit to win. Max Fried took the mound in game six and cemented the championship by pitching six innings of shutout ball. The Braves won the decisive game 7-0. It represented the second World Series championship for the franchise since it moved to Atlanta in 1966. Jorge Soler earned the World Series MVP Award and clinched it with a towering three run home run in game six. He started the season with the Kansas City Royals, but after the trade to Atlanta at the trade deadline, he finished the season on a tear.

Photo: *Associated Press*




## The acting spirit returneth...

The Fall Drama returned after a one-year hiatus for a three night run in the auditorium. *Blithe Spirit*, a play by Noel Coward, entertained the audience and allowed the cast to show their acting skills in a more-traditional setting not seen in a couple of years. Miss Kaylee Hansberry made her directorial debut for her alma mater. Shannon Brown (12), Bryant Brzozowski (12), and Madison Leith (12) led the cast through the three performances. The play revolved around the socialite and novelist Charles Condomine, who invited the eccentric medium and clairvoyant, Madame Arcati, to his house to conduct a séance, hoping to gather material for his next book. The scheme backfired when the ghost of his annoying and temperamental first wife Elvira haunted him after the séance. Elvira made continual attempts to disrupt Charles' marriage to his second wife Ruth who cannot see or hear the ghost.

Featuring: *Madison Leith and Avery Toy*

Photos: *S. Smietana* (11)

Featuring: *Shannon Brown* (12) *and Bryant Brzozowski* (12)

## 6 11th for a medal...

Eliza Miller (10) capped off her record-setting running season with an eleventh place finish at the PIAA Cross Country 3A Championships at Hershey, PA. She navigated the hilly course to medal in the race with a time of 18:57.1. Miller said, "My experience at states was completely different than last year. The weather conditions were much cooler, there were double the people, and I placed way better and my time was much faster. I hope to continue this success into the next season."

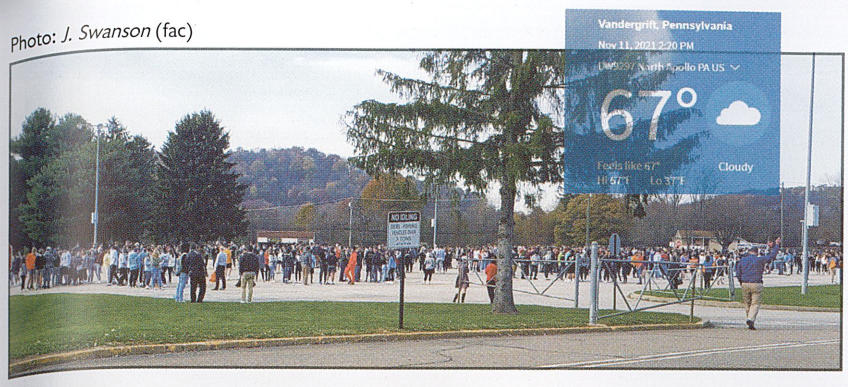
Featuring: *Lizeth Sesmas* (12), *Eliza Miller* (10), *and Tatiana Holt* (10)

Photo: *T. Berzonsky* (fac)

## WHAT about SWAT...

Mrs. McAfee's Criminal Law class enjoyed a Lunch and Learn with the Westmoreland County SWAT team. They discussed the vital role they play within the community executing search warrants, diffusing hostage situations, and protecting the public. Nathaniel Fouse (11), who stayed back from Vo-Tech for the demonstration, felt he learned a lot from the SWAT team members. He said, "I asked the guys that if I can successfully parallel park their M-RAB (military vehicle), can I take it home with me? They said I could, but I never got the opportunity."

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)




## Finagling a fire drill on a fine day...

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If a school must complete one fire drill per month, then any school in the north can not pass up a 67-degree day in November to fulfill that month's requirement. At approximately 1:40PM, the extreme screeching sound of the fire drill emanated throughout the hallways as students filed out of their classrooms to the front parking lot. While the fire drill ended up uneventful, the warm November temperature made it a welcome distraction.

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## Anticipation...

To those who auditioned for the spring musical production of *Shrek*, learning the part they got became paramount to the impending Thanksgiving break. Prior to a two-hour early dismissal on Wednesday, Mr. Capanna posted the cast list in the atrium at about 12:35PM (with dismissal at 12:45PM). Tears of joy flowed as students learned their parts, while some disappointment inevitably happened too. Due to the COVID-19, a return to a traditional musical amped up the anticipation. Upon learning that she earned the role of Donkey, Akila Yaw (12) said, "I was very surprised because I didn't think I'd get it." Kamryn Suman (11) said, "My mind was racing, I was super happy to see that I am a featured dancer."

Featuring: *Kamryn Suman* (11) and *Isabella Bendtsen* (10) - Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

## Stirring rendition...

Bestowed with the honor of singing the National Anthem at Heinz Field prior to kickoff of the WPIAL 5A championship football game between Penn Trafford and Moon Area, Bryant Brzozowski (12) wowed the crowd with his vocal prowess. Brzozowski said, "It was awesome. As a staff member from Heinz Field led us to the field, we walked by Art Rooney's office and saw the gold shovel and silver shovel that broke ground on the construction of Heinz Field and Three Rivers Stadium. Walking out of the tunnel into the snow in front of 6000 people was amazing." After finishing his rendition, Brzozowski did not know what to do next, so he took a bow to each group of fans which gave the stadium staffer a good chuckle.

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Photo: *M. Leith* (12)

## Thanksgiving break...

Students enjoyed a five day Thanksgiving break. After the two-hour early dismissal on Wednesday, some students stayed locally while others took an exciting trips. Frankie King (10) said, "The best part of my Thanksgiving dinner was the turkey-filled tryptophan."

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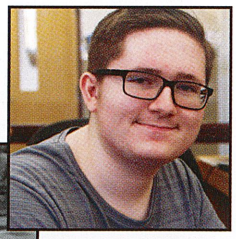
"Brownies and ice cream. The fudge in the brownies blends well with vanilla ice cream and the brownie absolutely needs to be warm to contrast the cold ice cream."

*Evan Wells* (12)

Discuss your must-have Thanksgiving dessert.



DESSERT

Justin Matonic (1989 grad) celebrates his victory at the pie-eating contest.

Photo: 1989 *Campus*, p. 3

# DECEMBER

## The ultimate gift...

With the help of members of the Cavalier Leadership Council (CLC), Vitalant set up stations in Gym B to collect blood from volunteers in school and throughout the community. Sixteen and 17-year-olds needed to provide parental permission, while those 18 and older could give blood of their own free will. Forty students contributed to the effort while another 12 adults, consisting of staff and community members, produced 41 units of blood products which would help up to 123 area patients. Mrs. Poleski, adviser of CLC, said, "This was the best blood drive in terms of the number of donors in at least a decade."

Photo: *K. Poleski* (fac) - Featuring: *Hannah Kastelic* (12)

Photo: *New York Times*

## Widespread destruction...

Over 30 tornadoes ravaged six states with towns such as Mayfield, KY almost totally destroyed. The outbreak started in Arkansas and damaged homes and businesses in Missouri, Kentucky, Illinois, Tennessee, and Indiana. A tornado leveled a candle factory in Mayfield that contained over 100 workers at the time.

An Amazon warehouse in Edwardsville, IL also saw similar devastation. In 1925, a tornado traveled 219 miles on the ground in Missouri. Friday's outbreak produced a record-breaker as one tornado may have traveled 223 miles. Eighty-eight people died as a result of this storm front.

## Grand openers...

The boys' and girls' basketball teams opened their respective seasons on high notes as they both won their opening round tournament games. The boys greeted new coach and Kiski Area alumnus Corey Smith with an 81-45 win over Derry in the Burrell Tournament. James Pearson (12) led all scorers with 21 points, while Logan Johnson (12) chipped in 16 points including four three-pointers. In the girls' bracket of the Burrell Tournament, Abbie Johns (10) scored 19 points, Lexi Colaianni (11) assisted with 12 points of her own, while Cora Coleman (10) chipped in 10 points to pace the team to a 48-36 win over Burrell. (On Saturday, the boys followed up by winning the boys' tournament beating Burrell 53-47, while the girls lost the championship game to Homer Center 57-41.)

ALL ON THE 10th

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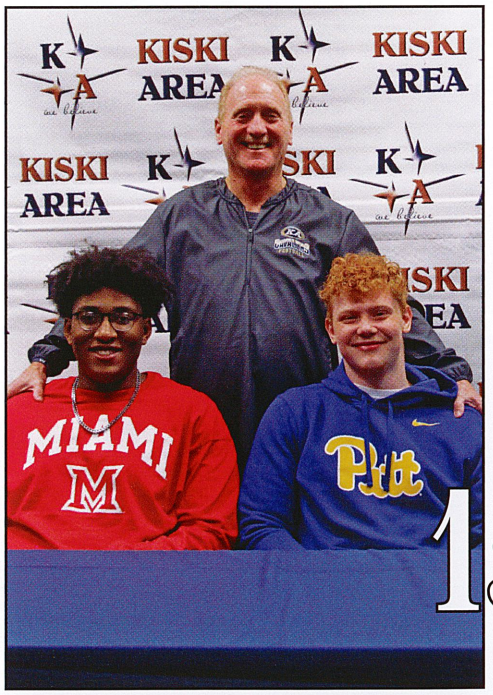


Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

## Good Intentions...

Senior football players Brandon Lawhorn Moore and Brock Wilkins officially committed to continue their studies and football at Miami University and the University of Pittsburgh respectively. Family and friends gathered before the start of the school day in the LGI room to watch as they signed their National Letters of Intent and to encourage and celebrate the momentous occasion. Wilkins said, "I kept mine under wraps so no one really knew that I was committing to Pitt until I signed."

## Jail break...

A pizza party acted as a reward to motivate each CAV room to donate money to keep Principal Gonnella in jail as long as possible. Student Council sponsored the fundraiser for the annual CAV-a-Thon. Mr. Gonnella made sure to alert all passersby in the atrium to give money to the cause. One student, Frankie King (10), took time out to help pray Mr. G's way out of jail. The fundraiser collected $620.11, and when combined with donations from the other schools in the district, helped the Kiski Valley Food Bank, Stuff-a-Bus, and the Alle-Kiski HOPE Center. Mrs. Miller's CAV room earned a pizza lunch for raising the most money as a CAV room.

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

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## Dog days of L&L...

Mrs. McAfee's Criminal Law classes enjoyed a Lunch and Learn that went to the dogs. Officer Mark Heider of the Middlesex Township Police Department brought his working dog Mibo and his personal pet Finn to the school for a discussion about bomb-sniffing dogs and what they do. Mibo came to the department from Germany where he had undergone his special training. He could detect 19 different odors and took his commands in Czech. Mibo has worked jobs such as sniffing out Heinz Field and PPG Paints Arena prior to Steelers and Penguins games. Students feasted on a taco bar prior to the discussion. Emma Beck (12) said, "The presentation was awesome. I thought it was cool how the dog was trained in a different language."

## Major milestone...

At the Moon Duals Wrestling Tournament, the wrestling team finished the day with a 4-1 record and third place finish. However, the team helped earn Coach Chris Heater his 500th victory with the program. The 52-28 victory over Beth-Center in their third match of the day gave him his benchmark win. Heater moved into head coach's role after the retirement of longtime wrestling coach Chuck Tursky in 2015.

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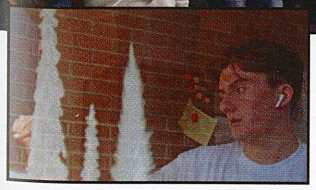
Photo: *A. Celo* (11)



Pictures featuring: Mariella Marsili (9), Emily Bertelle (9), Leah Derzic (9), Bailey Maschok (9), Tiffany Stitt (9), Alivia Sherbondy (9), Mrs. Laero's pd. 7 Spanish III Class, Jack Coleman (12)

## Ready for the holidays...

Holiday Spirit Week and Spanish class caroling marked the anticipation of a well-deserved long break for Christmas and New Year's. Many students wore their favorite ugly sweater, best pajamas, and/or twinned it up during the final week before the break. Jack Coleman (12) contributed to the spirit by painting the front windows in the attendance office.

## 20 THROUGH 23

What song do you love most from the Christmas season?

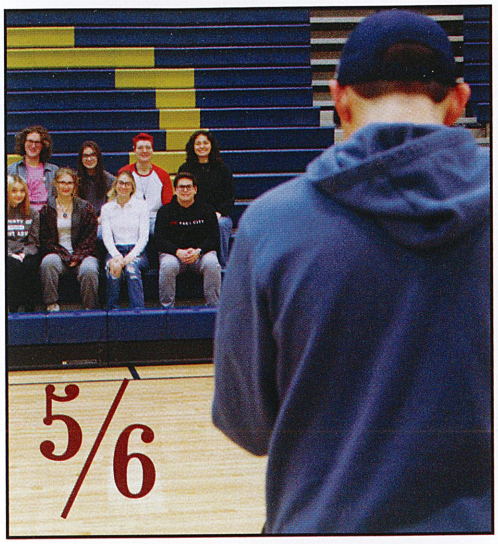
"'Frosty the Snowman' is my brother's favorite so we listen to it all the time."

*Latisha Watt* (12)

HOLIDAYS

Inside K-Mart, Crista Schindler sits at a table to collect donations for the Class Challenge during the annual Christmas telethon.

Photo: 2007 *Campus*, p. 34




## Club mugs...

Club pictures days returned as students stood in rows on the bleachers in Gym A for the annual tradition. COVID restrictions canceled the event last year. Over the two days, approximately 3000 students in 46 clubs smiled for the camera as Jayden Mattis (11) stepped in after Strawbridge Studios backed out of doing the club pictures two days prior to the event.

Photos: *J. Swanson* (fac)

# January

## Frenetic NFL...

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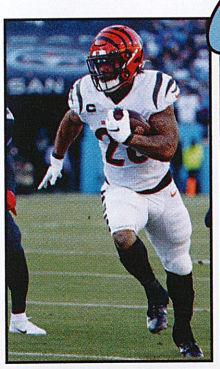
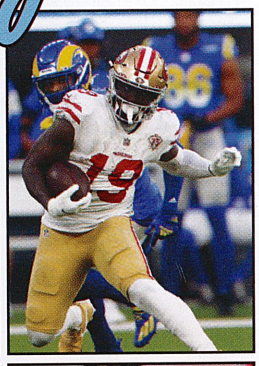
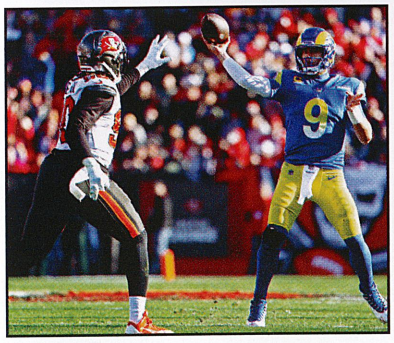
A weekend of NFL playoffs had never produced a quartet of games that ended with a game-winning field goal or a sudden death overtime touchdown. Almost all of the roads teams left the opposing stadiums joyous as the Cincinnati Bengals knocked off the Tennessee Titans 19-16, the San Francisco 49ers triumphed over the Green Bay Packers13-10, the Los Angeles Rams beat the Tampa Bay Buccaneers 30-27, and in what some people consider the greatest game ever, the Kansas City Chiefs outlasted the Buffalo Bills 42-36. In the finale, Josh Allen of the Bills connected with Gabriel Davis for what most people considered the game-winning touchdown as Buffalo took a 36-33 lead with 13 seconds left. Patrick Mahomes of the Chiefs connected with two receivers to go 44 yards in 10 seconds to set up the game tying field goal. Kansas City won the coin toss and proceeded to march down the field for the game-winning touchdown and a date one week later in the AFC Championship game against Cincinnati. Jayden Mattis (11) said, "What a roller coaster of games all weekend long."







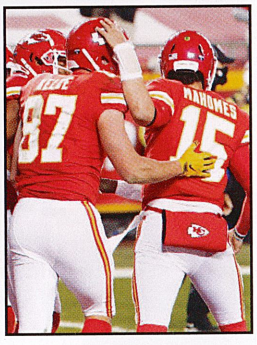


Photo: *USA Today*

## Bulldog nation celebration...

The NCAA Football Bowl Series Champion went to the Georgia Bulldogs as they overcame a five-point fourth quarter deficit to defeat the reigning champion Alabama Crimson Tide. Former walk-on quarterback turned starter Stetson Bennett and the relentless Bulldog defense helped them to capture their first championship since 1980. Lately, Georgia has hovered around the top of the Southeastern Conference (SEC), but kept coming up short against Alabama. A late interception returned for a touchdown sealed the deal in Georgia's 33-18 victory. Bennett earned the offensive Most Valuable Player (MVP) award of the game, while Bulldog safety Lewis Cine collected the defensive MVP award. Georgia's head coach Kirby Smart, a longtime assistant on Alabama coach Nick Saban's staff, finally got one over on his mentor.

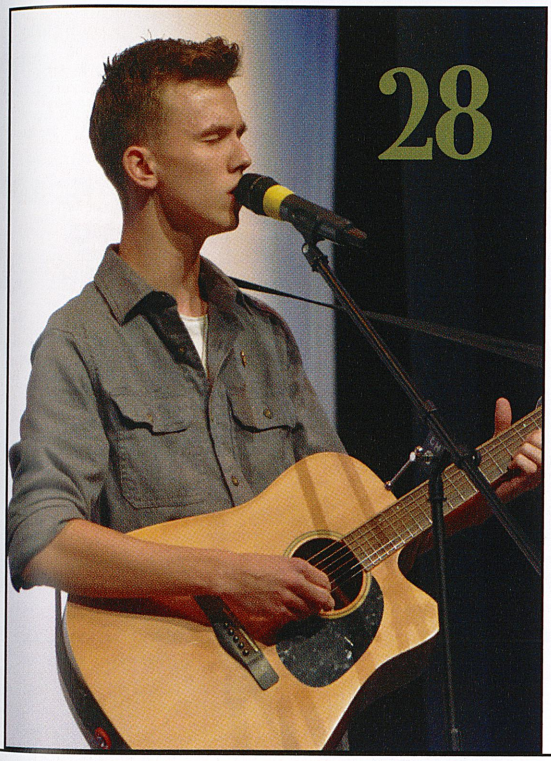
## Bowling for medals...

The first ever Westmoreland County Coaches' Association Bowling Championships took place at Lincoln Lanes in Latrobe. The girls' team, comprised of Veronica Flanagan (9), Savannah Renwick (12), Haley Zeller (10), Alyssa Leya (9), and Phoebe Richard (10), knocked over 2416 pins to take home the second place team crown. They came up short by only seven pins to Penn Trafford's 2423 pins. Finishing in the top ten to earn a medal included Flanagan, Renwick, Zeller, and Leya.

Photo: *Michael Love (Tribune-Review)*

# twenty-sixth

Photo: *S. Smietana (11)*



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## Home grown talent...

The Key Club Talent Show returned with a vengeance as approximately 250 spectators watched as elementary through high school students performed 17 acts. Dancers, singers, hula hoopers, and karate masters entertained the audience for the two hour show. At the high school level, Lucas Vrudney (12) took home the crown as Bryant Brzozowski (12) and Landon Newell (12) took second and third place respectively. Vrudney's rendition of *Home* by Phillip Phillips wowed the crowd and impressed the panel of judges. Proceeds from the show, which totaled about $1000, went towards the spring musical.

## 26 on the 26th...

For the second year in a row, the wrestling team captured the Section 1-3A title. A semifinal win over Penn-Trafford 59-9 led to a 40-29 victory over the host Franklin Regional Panthers to capture the crown. The championship catapulted the wrestling team to its 26th section title in program history. Carter Dilts (12) said, "It was a great feeling to win the section title in back to back years. Franklin Regional is horrible, and I have a very strong dislike for them."

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## Flexible education...

Ill-timed snow and bitterly cold weather led to a week of two-hour delays and an end-of-the-week virtual day (on the two-hour delay schedule) for the district. Only Wednesday saw a normal 7:40AM - 2:45PM school day. The Friday virtual day came as the biggest surprise as weather forecasters predicted the snow that marched across the country would stay to the south and give western Pennsylvania a dusting. However, the timing of the snow made the roads treacherous which caused the call for the virtual day.

## Cool in the pool...

A great day in the Derry Area High School pool occurred for the swim team at the Westmoreland County Coaches' Association swimming championships. Highlights listed below:

- Parker Sterlitz (11) 1st place in the 500 Freestyle (Set the county meet record) and 2nd place in the 200 Freestyle
- Eliza Miller (10) 1st place in the 100 Breaststroke and 200 IM
- Levi Hansen (11) 1st place in the 200 Freestyle and 2nd in the 100 Fly
- Jack Coleman (12) 2nd place in the 200 IM and 5th place in the 100 Breaststroke
- Justin Tucker (9) 3rd place in the 500 Freestyle and 5th place in the 200 IM
- Abby King (10) 4th place in the 100 Breaststroke and 6th place in the 200 Freestyle
- Amara Sterlitz (9) 4th place in the 500 Freestyle
- Riley Yute (9) 5th place in the 50 Freestyle
- Phillip Miller (12) 6th place in the 50 Freestyle
- Boys 400 Freestyle Relay: 2nd place
- Girls 400 Freestyle Relay: 3rd Place
- Boys 200 freestyle Relay: 3rd place
- Girls 200 Medley Relay: 4th place
- Boys 200 Medley Relay: 5th place

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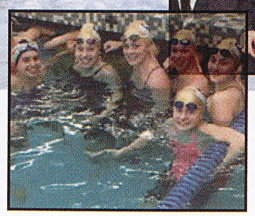
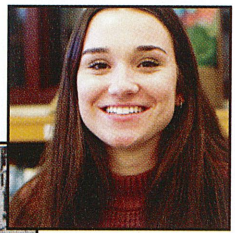


## SNOW FUN

Discuss the scariest ski slope.

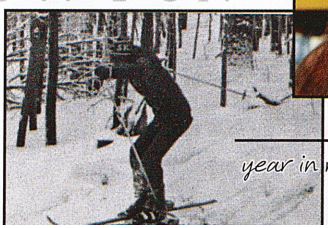
"At Holiday Valley, there is a double black diamond slope called *The Wall*. It has a vertical slope to it that I had no interest in attempting."

*Payton Buffone (11)*



Gina Perry (1977 grad) enjoys a trip to Seven Springs with the Ski Club as she propels herself down the slope.

Photo: 1977 *Campus*, p. 158



# FEBRUARY

## 2 Phil doing Phil things...

"With my shadow I have cast, then a long, lustrous six more weeks of winter." Punxsutawney Phil's annual prognostication involved the news most western Pennsylvania's didn't want to hear. However, Phil's prediction started off right on point when a winter storm warning descended upon the area as rain, freezing rain, and snow marched its way through the Pittsburgh area. A virtual instruction day phone call alert for February 3 went out to the community at about 4:30 PM.

Photo: *Associated Press*

Photo: *D. Mellinger* (par)

## 5 Dance the night away...

*A Night in Disguise* represented the theme at the Sadie Hawkins Dance held at the Washington Township Firehall. Randy and Dawn Mellinger, parents of Emma Mellinger (11), wanted to do something for the students since a school-sponsored dance did not occur due to the uncertainty of COVID regulations. With 150 tickets sold, the dance turned a $200 profit which went towards the spring musical. "It was a lot of fun, a great time, and not awkward since I knew most everyone there," Grace Wilferd (11) said.

**A night in Disguise**
Saturday, February 5, 2022
5:00 PM to 11:00 PM

Washington TWP. Fire Hall
4078 Route 66
Apollo PA 15613

## 11 Playoff bound...

After a rough last season where the boys won only five games, the basketball team clinched the third place spot in the section and a place in the playoffs. On the road in Latrobe, the Wildcats hung around to make the game more interesting than expected. Trailing by one after three quarters, James Pearson (12) scored nine points and grabbed eight rebounds in the fourth quarter to help the team secure the 77-69 victory and cement the 19th playoff berth in school history.

Photo: *S. Smietana* (11)

## 13 Stupendous Stafford...

Following 12 years of futility playing for the hapless Detroit Lions, Matthew Stafford welcomed a trade in the offseason to the Los Angeles Rams and won a Super Bowl. Trailing the Cincinnati Bengals by four with over six minutes remaining in the fourth quarter, Stafford took the Rams down the field and connected with wide receiver Cooper Kupp for a one-yard go-ahead touchdown with 1:29 left in the game. Cincinnati took the kickoff and marched 26 yards before Aaron Donald and the Rams put an end to the drive and subsequently, the game. The Super Bowl LVI victory represented a second championship for the Rams' franchise, but their first while playing in Los Angeles. Kupp earned Super Bowl MVP honors with his eight catches for 92 yards and two touchdowns.

Photo: *NJ.com*

Photo: *S. Smietana* (11)

## Can't miss Colaianni...

During the Valentine's Day match-up against Freeport High School, Lexi Colaianni (11) fell in love with the three-point shot and unofficially set the school record for most three-point shots made in a game. With a hot hand, Colaianni hit nine three pointers in the game and scored a total of 27 as they took down the Yellowjackets 61-37. Coalainni bested the previous mark of seven three pointers that she, Abbie Johns (10), and Michael Simmons (2015 grad) had achieved. Colaianni said, "Coach encouraged me to keep shooting the threes. I was in the zone."

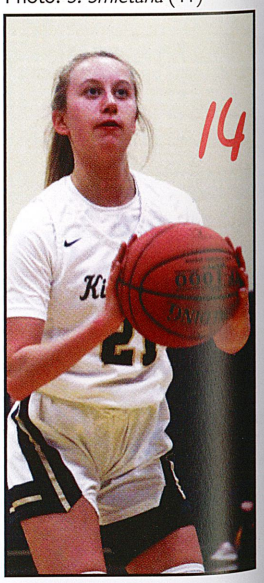


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Photo: *From 1965 Washtonian*

## So long, old friend...

Opened in 1927 and closed in 2013, the Washington Township Elementary building dwindled to a pile of rubble. The future of the lot included becoming an 11-acre lot to house recreational vehicles for Meyer's RV Sales of Pittsburgh. The building transformed through the years from a high school to a junior high and eventually an elementary school. Central administration reported to the building during the renovation of the high school in the early 2000s.

Photo: *J. Swanson* (fac)

# March

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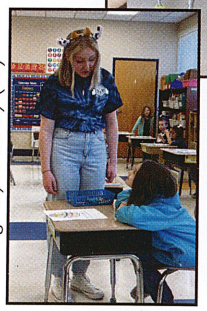
### Putting Seuss to good use...

86 Key Club members conjured up their best Dr. Seuss tributes and traveled to the three primary schools and the upper elementary school to read and do activities with students in grades kindergarten through six in a total of 80 classrooms (including one virtual classroom). High school students boarded buses bound for the elementary schools at 8:45 AM and returned around 11:00 AM. Madison Dodek (12) said, "I really enjoyed it. The kids were great, and I really liked that I got to see Mrs. Bennett, my teacher many years ago."

Photos: *O. Croney* (12)

Featuring: *Madison Dodek* (12)

Featuring: *Faith Cook* (12)



Featuring: *Caylie Tursky* (10)

Featuring: *Nathan Vokes* (11)

Featuring: *Brayden Dunmire* (12)

## Awesome in Indy...

The Scholastic A and Scholastic Open Winter Guards enjoyed great success at the WGI Regional held in Indianapolis, IN. Scholastic A finished eighth out of 27 teams, whereas the Scholastic Open squad finished first in both the preliminary and final rounds with a finals score of 89.8. The second place squad finished with a score of 87.2. The Open guard planned to attend the WGI World Championships in Dayton, OH in early April.

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Submitted: *L. Pityk* (fac)

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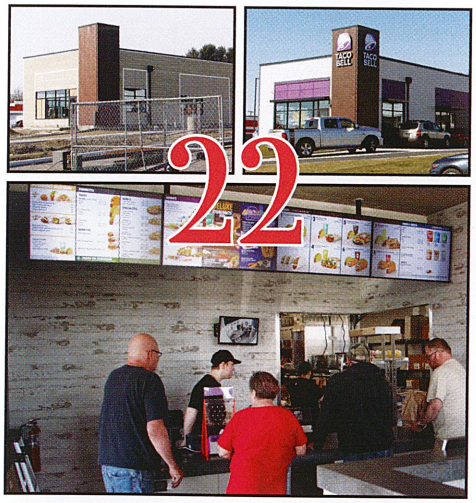


Photos: *J. Swanson* (fac)

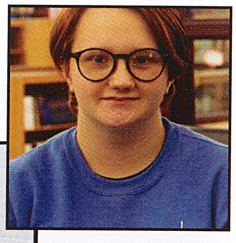
### Yo quiero Taco Bell...

After a Saturday soft opening, the new Taco Bell in the Allegheny Plaza celebrated a grand opening with full service indoors and in the drive-thru. A strong contingency of Cavalier students signed on as the first set of employees as they welcomed customers to the new restaurant. Regarding the new fast-food option in the area, Nevaeh Riggle (11) said, "I am glad Taco Bell came in because it is a popular food choice for students in my age group."

"Someone had spilled my paint on a desk. They proceeded to write out in bright red glitter paint, 'Will you be my Valentine?' I said, 'No,' and they left me to clean up all the paint."

*Gilen Thomas* (9)

Describe the cringiest way someone has asked you to be their Valentine.



ALL HEARTS

Jim Haugh and Cayla Turner earn the senior superlative category of Biggest Heart.

Photo: 2009 *Campus*, p. 248

Featuring: *Dalin Graham*

# CONGRATULATIONS, DALIN

You did it... you have grown from a handsome little boy to a very handsome, smart, wonderful, respectful young man. We are all very proud of you. We all want to wish you the bestest luck with whatever you choose to do from this point on. We all love you so much.

Love,

*Mom, Dad, Nana, Pap, Alaya, and all of your family and friends*

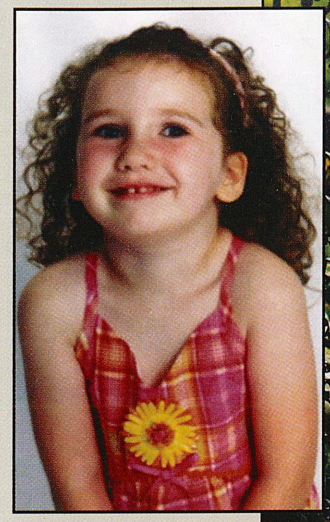
Featuring: *Megan Hastings*

# Megan,

Someday, you'll look back at these pages and think about the people and events that shaped your high school experience. We are so very proud of your accomplishments so far, but now it's time to move on. As your biggest fans, we can't wait to see what the future holds for you.

Love, *Mom, Dad, and Ryan*

Featuring: *Karly Keller*



# Congratulations, Karly!

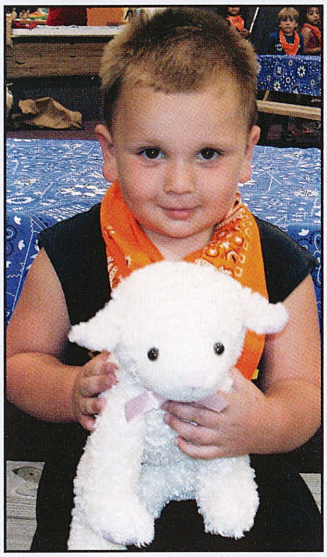
We are very proud of the young woman you have become. You have touched many lives throughout the years. We are excited for what your future holds. Your dedication to family, friends, school, and athletics are second to none. We hope for nothing but the very best in the next chapter of your life. Your future looks bright!

Love,
*Mom, Dad, and Colin*

# Garrett,

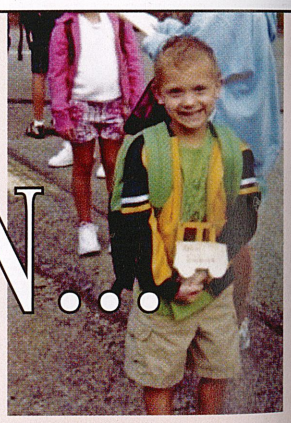
You've been a joy since day one and have grown into such an amazing young man... so smart, talented, patient, and compassionate. We're so proud of you and your accomplishments. You've always had the capability to be involved in so many activities from music to sports, while achieving academic success. Stay focused on your goals, and don't lose sight of what's important: your dreams and happiness. Follow the path God has for your future, continue to let your talents shine, and enjoy the adventure. Keep faith in God and your family, and know we'll always be there for you.

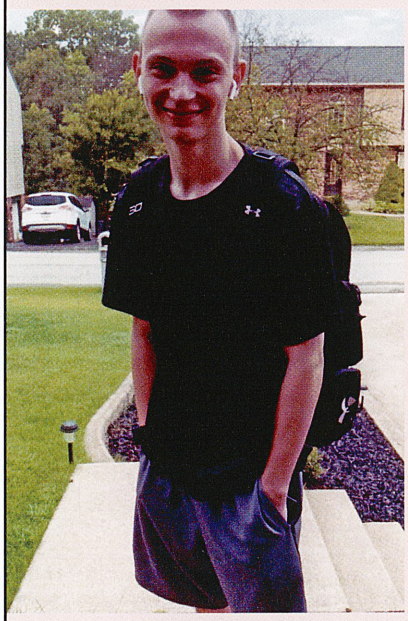
Love you,
*Mom, Austin, & Grandma*



Featuring: *Garrett Fryar*

# DEAR JOHN...





Behind you,
All your memories.
Before you,
All your dreams.
Around you,
All who love you.
Within you,
All you need.

Just remember to always be...

*John!*

Congratulations!

Love,
*Mom & Art*

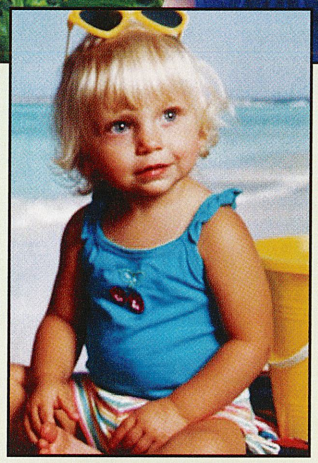
Featuring: *John Gibbons*

# Madyson Rose

I always knew that you would grow up to be a beautiful young woman, inside and out, and we are so very proud of all of your accomplishments throughout your high school career. Your independence, strength and perseverance have proved that you will accomplish anything you set your mind to in this next chapter of your life.

Stay strong, be brave and courageous, and never let anyone dull your sparkle.

Love,
*Mom and Carl*



# LINZEY

We are so proud of the beautiful, independent, young lady you have become in the past 18 years. You are passionate, talented, and smart. The sky's the limit to what you are able to contribute to this world. We can't wait to see what your future holds. Remember to always stay true to yourself, be kind to others, and spread love everywhere you go. If you do this, happiness will follow! You are a wonderful daughter, sister, and best friend!

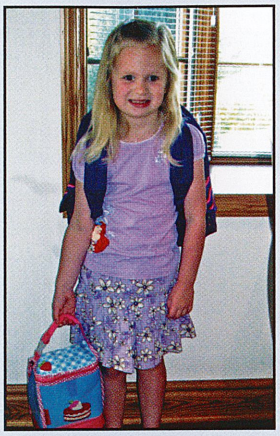
We love you with all our hearts,
*Mom, Dad, Darren, and Nerf*

You always maintain a decisive attitude and have achieved great success. We have so much respect for you! As long as you believe in yourself, listen to the inner voice and follow your heart, the success story will continue. We love you very much... *Mom, Dad & Ethan*

# Evan...

Congratulations, Evan! We're proud of you and your accomplishments. We've watched you work hard to be the best. As you move into your next challenge, approach it the same way as you have at Kiski. Wish you a safe and successful journey. God Bless... Love, *Grandma & Pop*

Featuring: *Jordan Glunt*

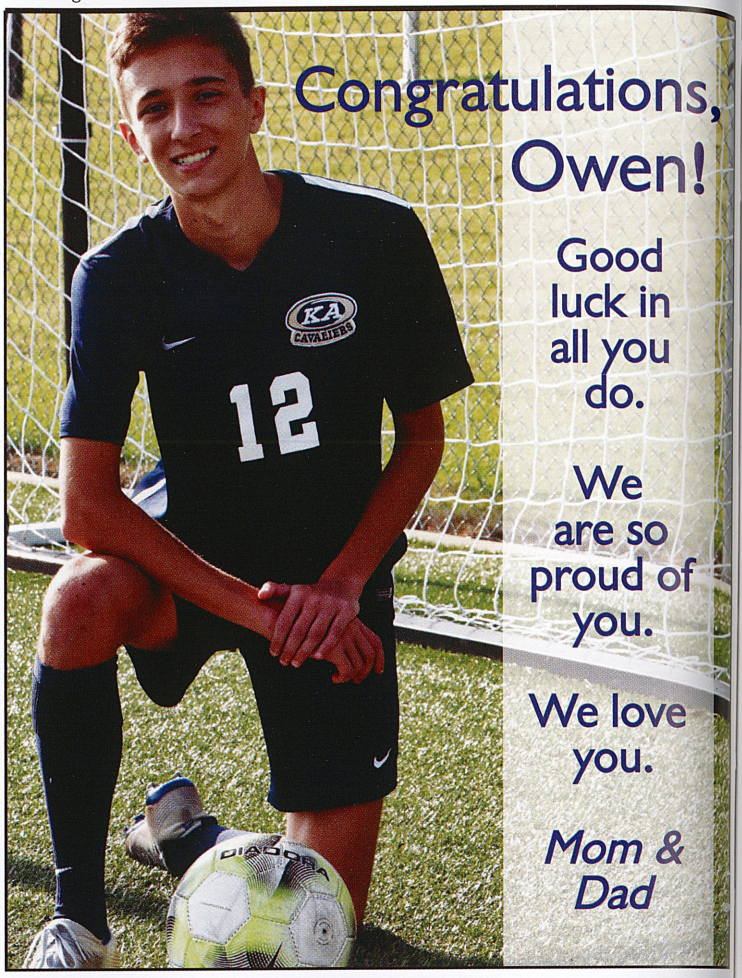


# Jordan,

You were so excited for what lay ahead of you on your first day of Kindergarten. Now, you stand on the doorstep of your next big adventure in life. You amaze us with your wonderful talent, gifts, and creativity. Dream big, work hard, and live out the life that God has set before you. We are so proud of you, and we love you!

Love, *Dad, Mom, Cassidy, and John*

Featuring: *Owen Barr*




# Congratulations, Owen!

Good luck in all you do.

We are so proud of you.

We love you.

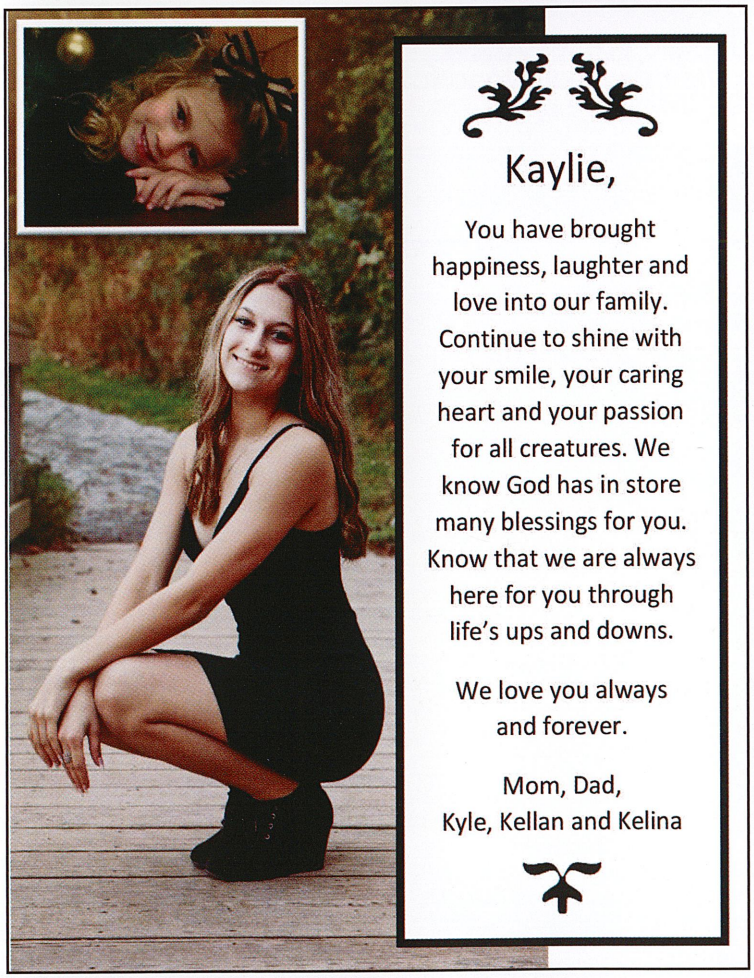
*Mom & Dad*

Featuring: *Adam Altman*

# OUR SWEET BUBBA...

Never stop dreaming, and always remember where you came from.

*Mom, Dad, Sabrina, and Dan*



## Kaylie,

You have brought happiness, laughter and love into our family. Continue to shine with your smile, your caring heart and your passion for all creatures. We know God has in store many blessings for you. Know that we are always here for you through life's ups and downs.

We love you always and forever.

Mom, Dad,
Kyle, Kellan and Kelina

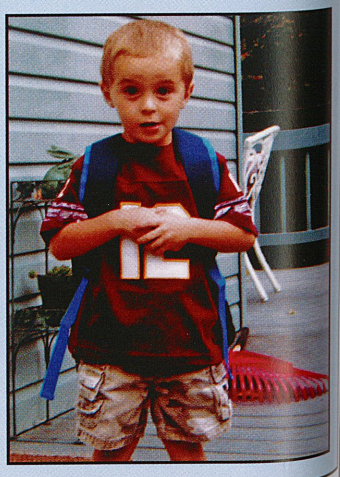
Featuring: *Kaylie Smith*

# LUCAS,

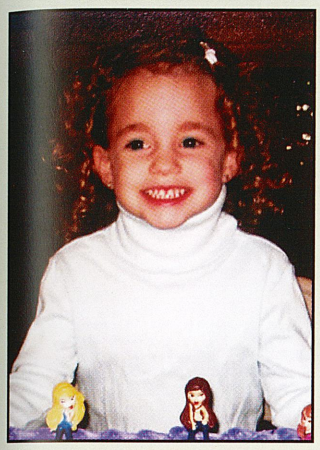
*"Nothing in this world is impossible to a willing heart."*
*- Abraham Lincoln*

We are proud of the young man you've become. We can't wait to watch you continue your journey in life. Just always dream big because nothing is impossible.

All our love,
*Dad and Mom*



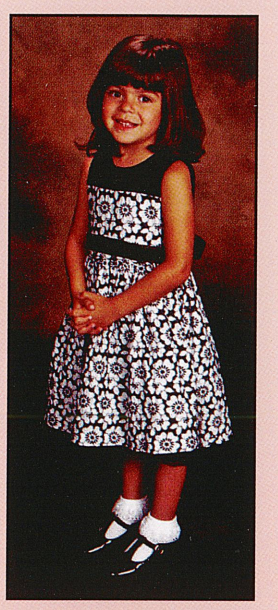
Featuring: *Lucas Harold*



Congratulations on graduating! We are so very proud of the beautiful and caring person that you are. Between these pictures are many wonderful memories that we have had with you. We thank God every day for blessing us with a daughter like you. Stay true to who you are, and we wish you nothing but happiness and success in your future!

*Love always, Mom and Dad*

# MADDIE...



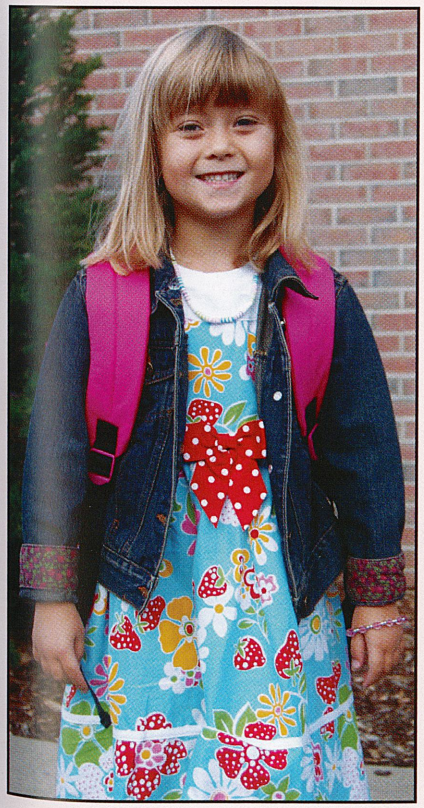
It seems like just yesterday we were driving you to preschool, and now your school days are almost over. We are so proud of the young woman you are, and we look for the successful, beautiful, confident person you will become. The sky is the limit for you. Be confident and trust in yourself, and you will go far.

We are always here for you.

*The key to success is to focus on the goals, not the obstacles!*

Love,
*Mom, Dad, and Joe*

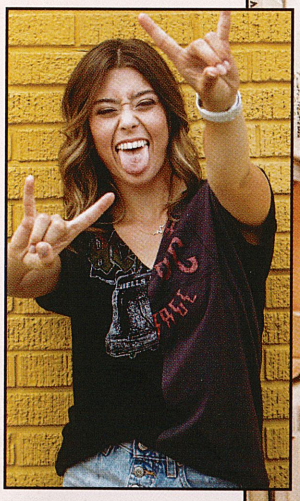
# Cameran Grace Thompson



We could not be more proud of the woman you have become over the past 18 years. You will do amazing things in this world. Continue to be kind and determined as you create the path you are meant to follow. The future is bright, and we can't wait to see you shine...

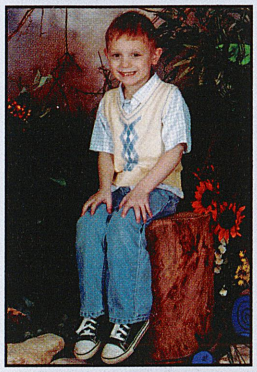
Love you so much!!!

*Daddy, Mommy, Carson, Winnie, & Odin*



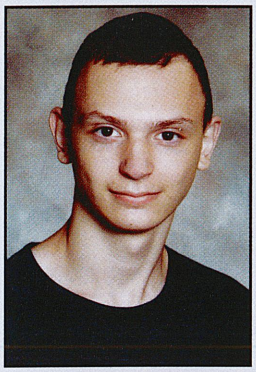
Featuring: *John Gibbons*

# CONGRATULATIONS, JOHN



We watched you grow from a cute little boy into a handsome young man. Follow your dreams, and always remember we love you.

*Nanny, Pap, Nicole, Chris, Lucas, and Laina*



Featuring: *Logan Reynolds*

# LOGAN

My son being placed in my arms in Guatemala proves that God does grant miracles. It has been the joy of my life to be your mom. I prayed you would have a strong personality to face life's challenges, and you do! Be Fearless, Be Safe, Be Good, Be Grateful, and most of all, Be Happy!

I love you,
*Mom*

Featuring: *Carli Luciano*

# Carli...

*Our one and only daughter,*

Don't give up. If it doesn't work the first time, find another way. Always believe in yourself. Uncover your potential, letting no one stop YOU! Go for the moon and beyond. Happiness is the key to success. Think bigger than ever before. Embrace every moment in life. Remember that we love you for the little girl that you once were and for the amazing woman that you are today!

**We love you to the moon and back...**
***Mom, Dad, Mike, and Nick***

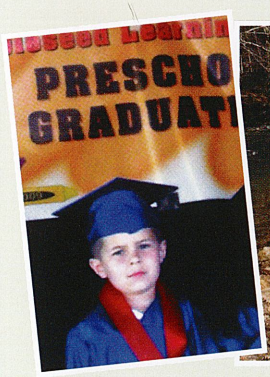
# LAUREN,

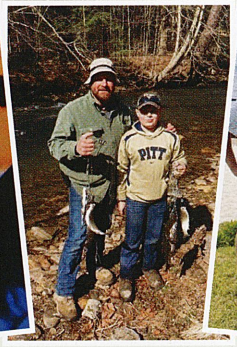
You've come a long way, baby, and the BEST is yet to come!

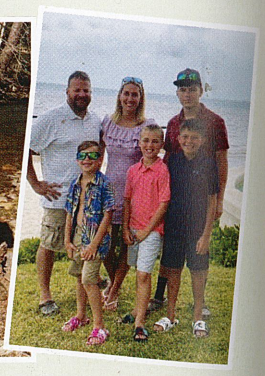
*Love,*
*M & D*

Featuring: *Lauren Michaels*

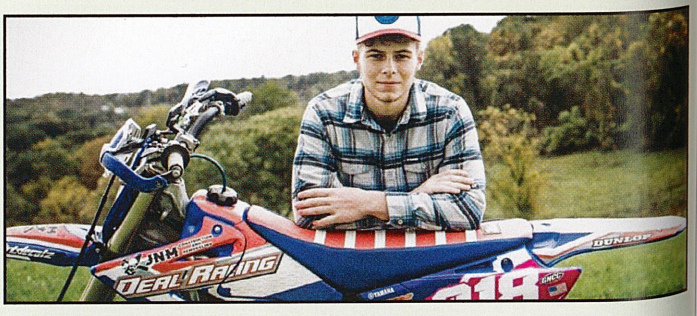
# Dawson,



We couldn't be more proud of the man you have become. We can't wait to see what the future holds for you. Many more memories to come...



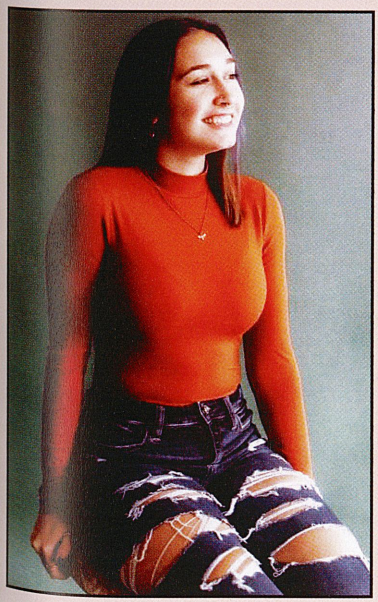

We love you, *Dad, Jaclyn, Bentley, Mikey, & Mason*

Featuring: *Dawson Deal*

# Olivia "Liv" Croney

## *Liver and Onions...*

We can't wait to see your kind soul go out into this world and make it a better place. Never lose who you are, and never forget where you came from. We are so proud of the young woman you have become.



Featuring: *Bailee Gray*

# Bailee...

To our sweet girl,

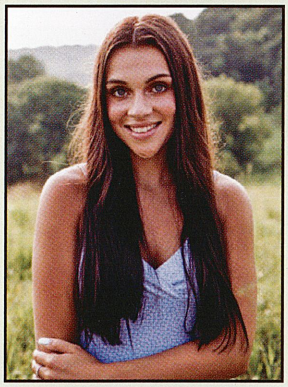
MONKEEBONES...

We are so proud of the young woman you have become. It's so hard to believe that you are now an adult and will be venturing this world on your own. We wish nothing but the best for you and your aspirations, and we will always support you.

Love, *Mama and Daddy*

Featuring: *Nicole George*

# NICOLE...

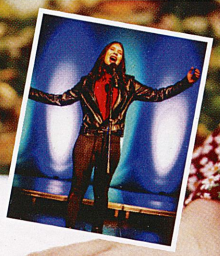


We are so proud of you and all that you have accomplished so far. You have grown into a lovely young lady, and we cannot wait to see what your future holds for you. Stay true to yourself!

Love, *Mom and Dad*

Featuring: *Shannon Brown*

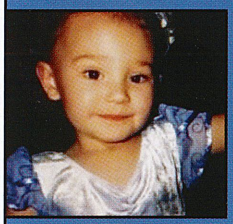
# SHANNON,



It has been a joy watching you grow up. Dad and I can't wait to watch you on your musical journey on and off the stage. We are so proud of the young lady you have become.

Love you, SweetPea!

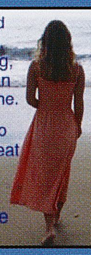
# Jocelyn...



We are so proud of what a kind, dedicated, strong, beautiful woman you have become.

You are going to do so many great things in life!

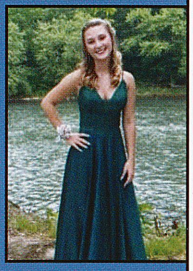
Never stop reaching for the ★ stars ★



As you begin your next journey, know that we will be beside you every step of the way.

We love you,

Mom, Dad, & Wilson



Featuring: *Jocelyn Spencer*

# Summer Bean...

This is your year to shine. We are so proud of the young lady you have become. Keep up the hard work, and never give up.

We love you so much,

*Chicken Fry, Dad, Jaycob, and Lucas*

Featuring: *Summer Fairman*

# LOGAN...

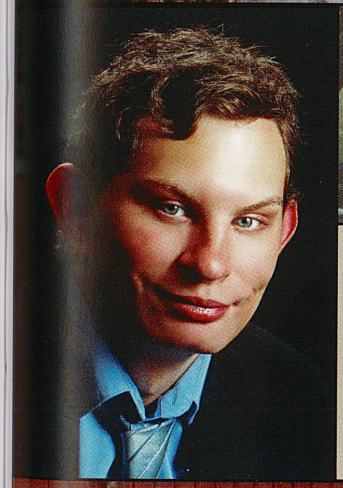
Our wish for you is that this life becomes all that you want it to be. May your dreams stay big, your worries stay small, and you never carry more than you can hold. And, while you're out there getting where you're going to, I hope you know somebody loves you and wants the same things too – my wish – Rascal Flatt.
Dream big, Logan.
Love, *Aunt Beth & Uncle Tom*

You have made us so very proud to have a grandson as special as you. Reach for the stars, and follow your dreams!
Love you, *Pap & Maw*

Congratulations, Logan!
We are so proud of you. Follow your dreams, and always be true to yourself. Believe, achieve, and succeed!
Love, *Katie & Matt*

So proud of you and everything you have accomplished. We are so looking forward to what the future holds for you. You will do amazing things because you are amazing! Love you, buddy.
Comoshaw...
*Dad & Candace*

Shine with the stars!
I'm proud of you.
Love,
*Mom*

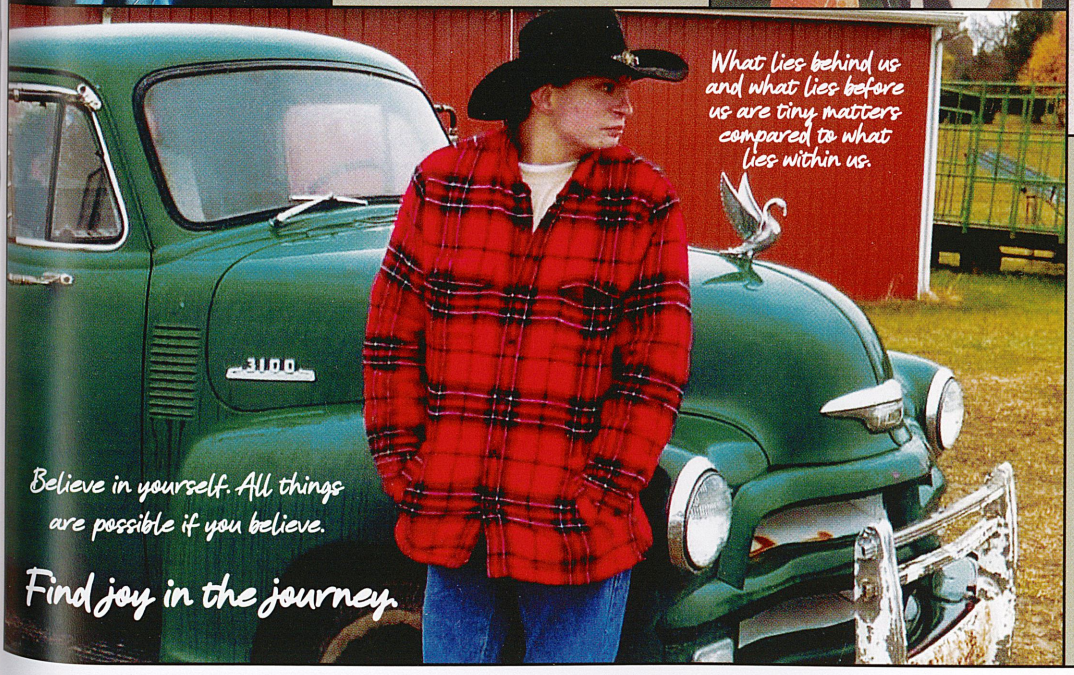


Always reach for the stars!
Love you, Logan.
*Aunt Tammy & Uncle George*

Congratulations,
and good luck.
Love, *Pap Shaw & Cathy*

Follow your dreams!
So proud of you.
Love, *Gram Shaw*

Congratulations on your graduation! I can't wait to see the incredible things that your bright future holds.
Love, *Chrissy*




We've watched you grow up through the years. Always enjoyed learning of each adventure, and there were many. You've made it to now in a side-winding way, and we're excited about your future. Remember to always work HARD and make WISE decisions. Always check in with God.
All our love and best wishes,
*Al & Linda*

Love you kiddo! I'm proud of all you have accomplished in life so far, and I'm excited to see what you accomplish in the future.
XO, *Auntie Kristen*

"You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself in any direction you choose. Kid, you'll move mountains. Your mountain is waiting. So get on your way." – Dr. Seuss

Featuring: *Logan Reynolds*

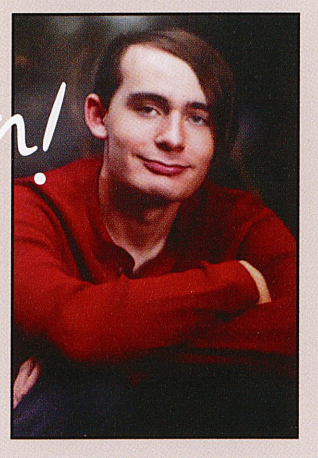
# LOGAN,

From the first time we saw you at the Pittsburgh Airport, watching you become the wonderful young man you are has filled us with pride and joy. Tia will forever have your back, and Gram will always watch over you from heaven. Keep an eye out for the butterflies!

Love ya,
*Tia and Gram*

Featuring: *Jonathan Shaffer*

## Congratulations, Jonathan!



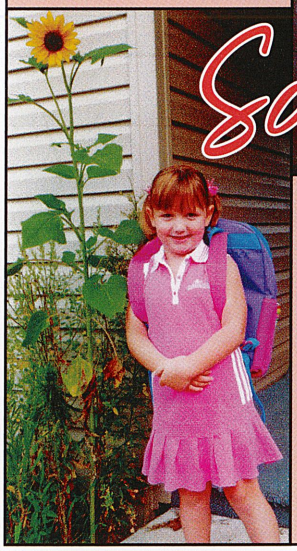
You have worked so hard to achieve this, and we are so very proud of you. The future is yours for the taking.

Love, *Mom and Dad*

Featuring: *Sarah Musser*

It has been a joy watching you grow into such a kind-hearted, amazing young lady. Words can't even begin to describe how incredibly proud we are of all you have accomplished.

## Sarah...



Remember *Jeremiah* 29:11-13.
- God has a plan for you! We are so excited to see what your future holds. We love you BUNCHES,

*Mom, Dad, Lydia, and the Cats*

# SAM AND JACK

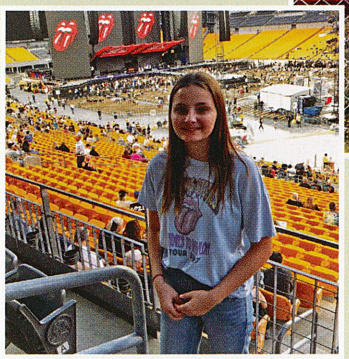
You have made our lives so full of laughter and joy! Love you both, always.

*Dad, Mom, Ronnie, and Nathaniel*

Featuring: *Sam Coleman, Jack Coleman*

## Chloe,

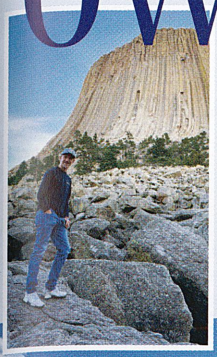
We are so proud of you!

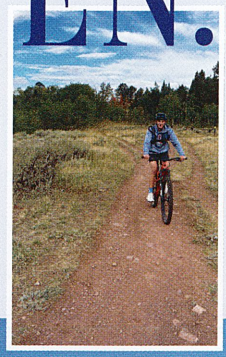


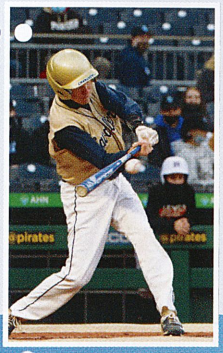
Love,
*Dad, Gavin, & Maddox*

Featuring: *Chloe Arbaugh*

# OWEN..







**"May your dreams be larger than the mountains, and may you have the courage to scale their summits."**

**- Harley King**

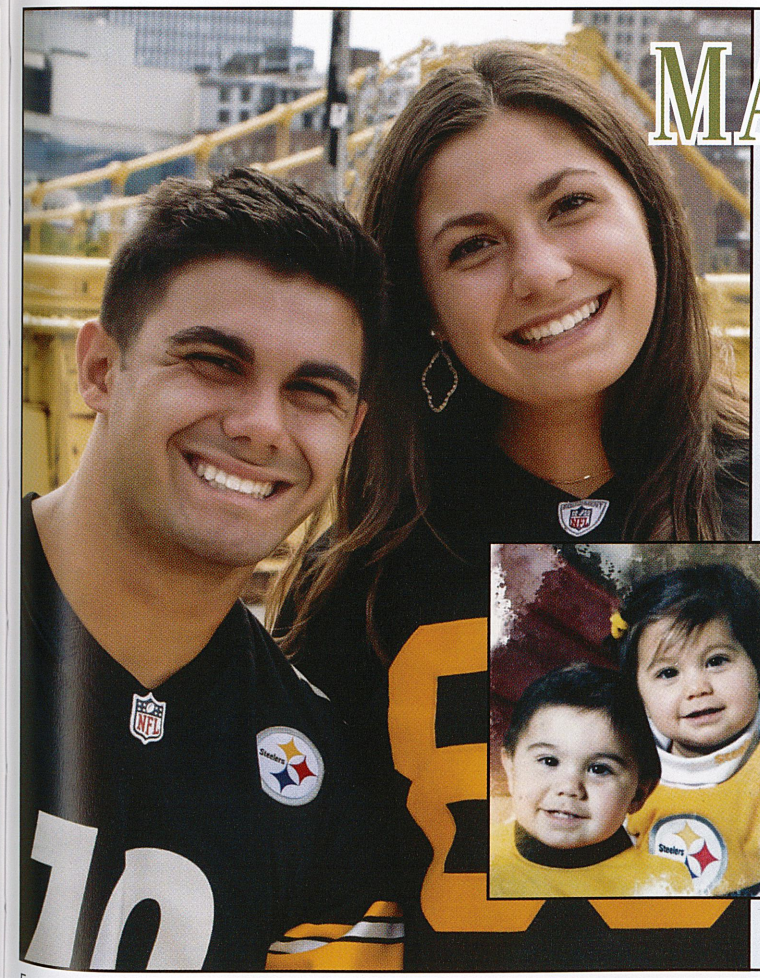
***Love, Mom and Dad***

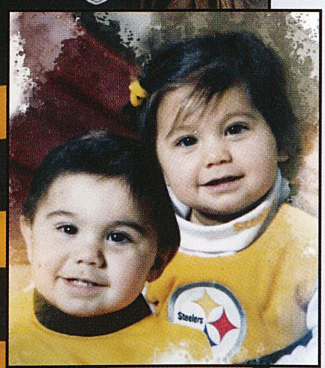


# Elizabeth,

Time sure does fly. It seems like yesterday you were jumping on the bus to start kindergarten. How can this be your senior year? We have cherished every moment from attending chorus concerts to watching you play on the soccer field. The joy you bring to our lives is unmeasurable, and you are loved more than you will ever know.

*Our advice to you:* work hard, keep smiling, be kind, and honor God in all you do!
Love, *Mom and Dad*





# MACEY AND CJ

Nobody prepares you for a set of twins
With extra laughter, double grins

There's so much fun in having two
Twice as many points of view

So much alike, forever linked
You are more similar that one may think

You entered the world, together as one
And since that point, it's been nothing but fun

You are beautiful people who help us all
Your personalities are big, your stature small :)

Though you may walk a separate path
Keep that smile, and laugh that laugh

Macey and CJ, your future is bright
Keep your head high, keep doing what's right

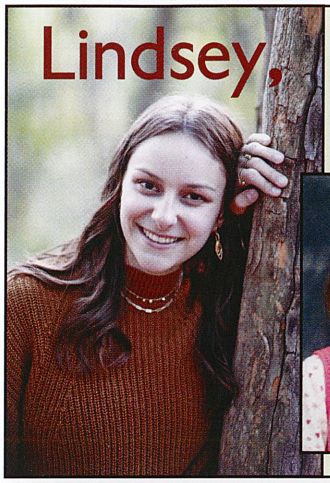
You're kind and smart, very mature
Your hearts are special, and we love you more

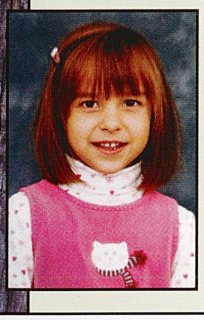
With so much love,
*Mom, Dad, Katie, Maddy, Morgan, Kenley, Todd, Situ, Pap Mike, Mema Kath, Pappy Bill, Annie, and Eric*

Featuring: *Macey Hepler, Chad Hepler*

Featuring: *Lindsey Zera*

# Lindsey,





## We have loved watching you grow from...

A sweet and spirited little girl into a hard-working and kind young woman. You have accomplished so much, and we know you will continue to strive for new goals and dreams. Stay true to yourself.

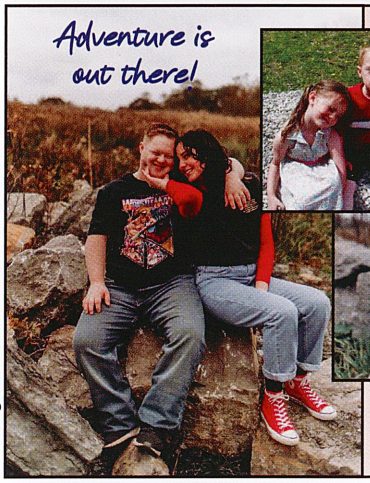
We are so proud of you.

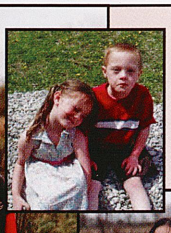
We will always be cheering for you!

Love, *Mom, Dad, & Allie*

Featuring: *Bella Uskuraitis, Parker Beitel*

*Adventure is out there!*





## Parker & Bella

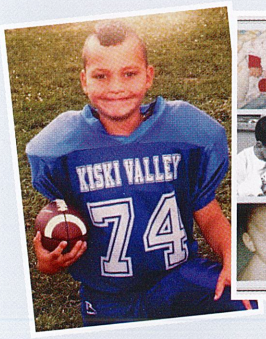
You both continue to amaze me and make us all proud. Go out into the world and show the world who you are! Keep smiling, & do not ever give up. Even on your hardest days, you keep going. It won't be easy, but it will all be worth it.

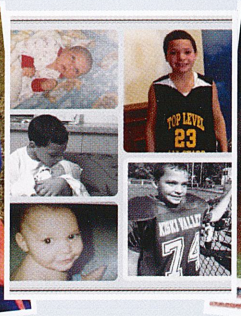
Trust me ;)

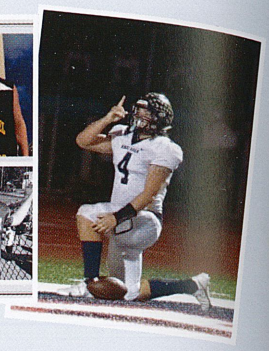
*xoxo Love ya,*
*Mom, Dad, & Addi*

Featuring: *Brayden Dunmire*

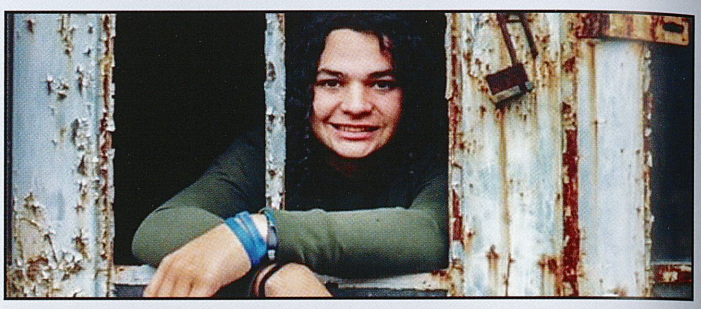
**Brayden,** you have been an amazing blessing to our lives. We are so proud of you and all of your accomplishments.





You have become an incredible young man. Your passion and drive to achieve your goals will make a bright future for yourself. Remember, this is not the end; it's the beginning of something great!

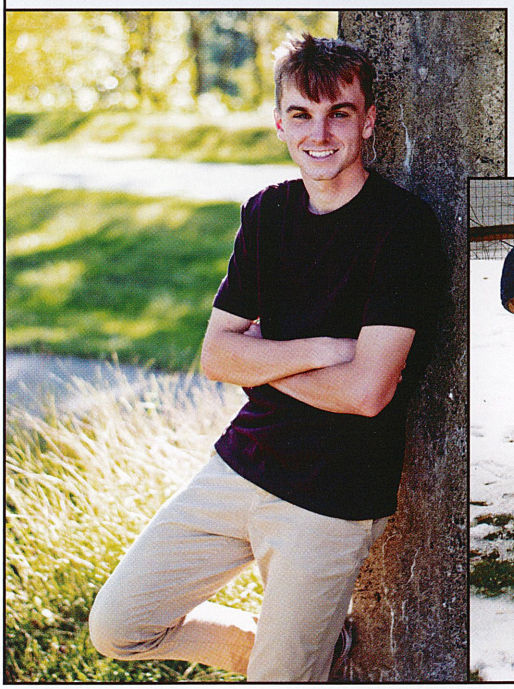


*Love you always, Mom, Dad, and Carter*

# CAMPBELL...

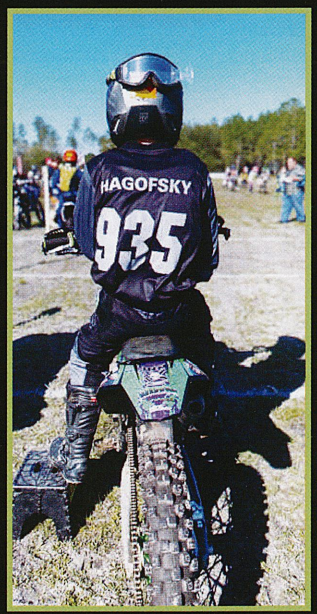
As one chapter closes, a new and exciting one begins. Embrace it with the same love of life, spirit of adventure, sense of humor, and commitment to excellence that you have so far. You have a wonderful future ahead of you, and we can't wait to see what it holds. We love you and are so very proud of you!

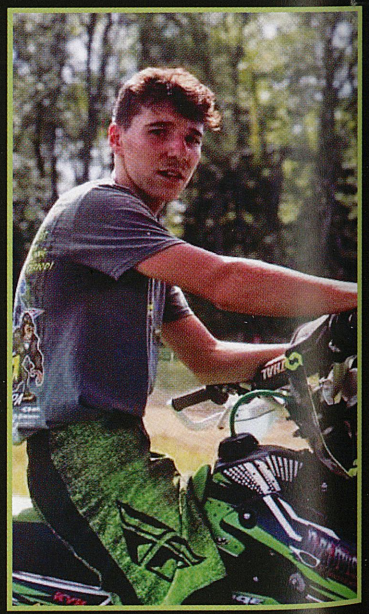
*All our love, Mom, Dad, and Trey*



Featuring: *Campbell Curry*

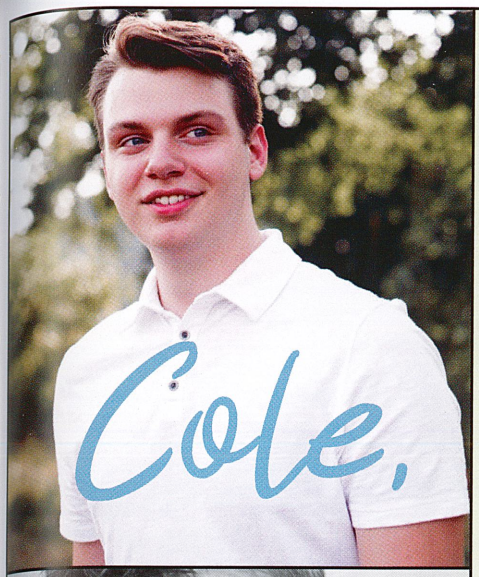
**The only time you should ever look back is to see how far you have come. Always chase your dreams. You can achieve anything!**

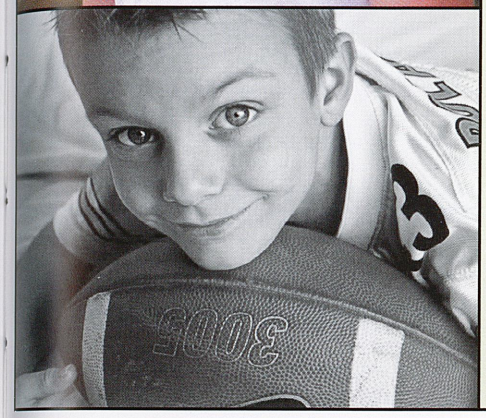


*Jakob Hagofsky* - Class of '22
"Watch me now!"

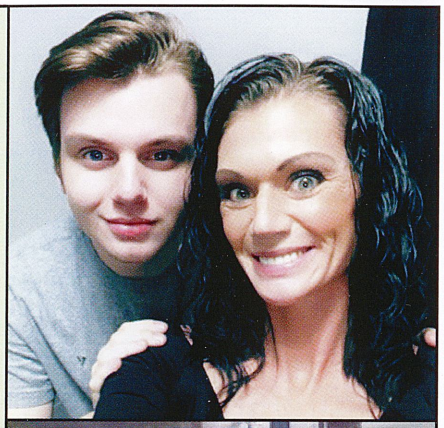
Featuring: *Jakob Hagofsky*



We are so proud of the man you are becoming. Words can never describe how much. Now, one chapter is closing and another one is opening. Always promise us you will be bold enough to use your voice, brave enough to listen to your heart, and strong enough to live your life as you have always imagined. We will always be right there cheering you on. We both love you so much.

Love,
*Mom and Dad*



Your foundation is strong, your spirit is even stronger, and with your grit and beautiful grace, you will succeed at ANYTHING you set your mind to. Dream Big! You've filled our lives and our home with so much love, laughter, joy and light, and you will always be our baby. <3

We're SO proud of you.

Stay true, baby girl.

We love you with all our hearts!

*Mum, Dad, Shane, & Shilo*

Featuring: *Lea Ross*

Featuring: *Latisha Watt*

# Tishypoo...

**Latisha,**

Keep being you.
Your Dad and I
love you.
Your hard work
and dedication
will take you far.

***Congratulations!***

Featuring: *Hannah Kastelic*

## Hannah,

From the moment you were determined to start reading to soaring over fences with your horses, you have always amazed us and made us so proud. You can and will do whatever you want in this world. This is only the beginning. Go be great. Congratulations!

Love,
*Mom, Dad, and Morgan*

Featuring: *Dawson Deal*

# Dawson...

I loved you long before I saw you, and I will always think of you as my baby boy. However, you have grown into such a handsome, strong, caring, and amazing, young man right before my eyes, and I am so proud of you. I cherish all our memories and have enjoyed watching you grow up. Your strong will, dedication, and determination will help you to succeed in life in everything you do and accomplish. I am so excited to see what your future holds. All I ever wanted is your happiness, always. So please, follow your heart, and never stop doing what makes you happy. I am your biggest fan and will always support you, no matter what. Remember, no matter where the road to life takes you, it can bring you back home to where the door is always open, any time. I am and will always be here for you. Keep in mind... Life is too short as it can change in the blink of an eye, so smile, and make the best of it. Congratulations, and good luck in everything you do. We love you!

Love always,
*Mom and Bentley*

Featuring: *Ethan Connor*

# E-MAN...

Since the day you were born, you have filled our lives with joy and happiness. You are that person that everyone just loves to be around. You are smart, friendly, funny, and hard-working. From trains, to trucks, to cars, playing in the dirt, to baseball, football, driveway hockey, and wrestling... you've brought so much fun to every day! It has been such a pleasure watching you grow from a little, playful boy into a talented young man. We have especially enjoyed watching you transform into a natural leader this year on and off the mat. As you embark on the next chapter of your life, always keep your enthusiasm, sense of humor, and your strong-willed nature... and you will go far in life. We are so proud of you. Wherever your path leads you, always know we love you, we believe in you, and we will always support you!

*Love,*
*Mom and Dad*

Featuring: *Payton Sullivan*

Full of opportunity,
full of grace

Success is yours
at rapid pace

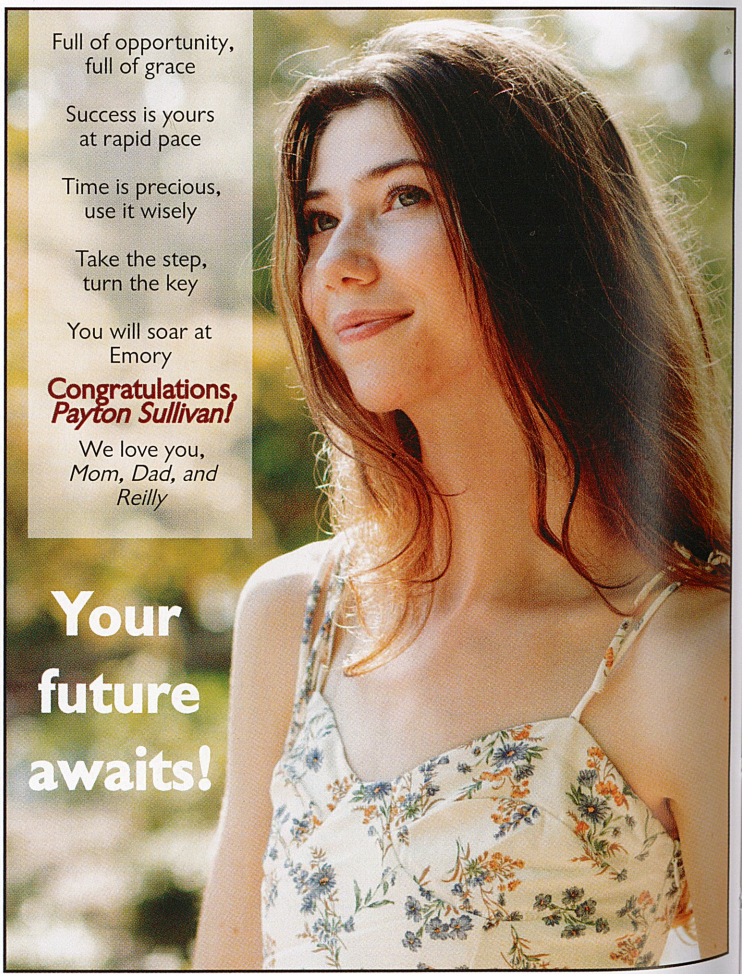
Time is precious,
use it wisely

Take the step,
turn the key

You will soar at
Emory

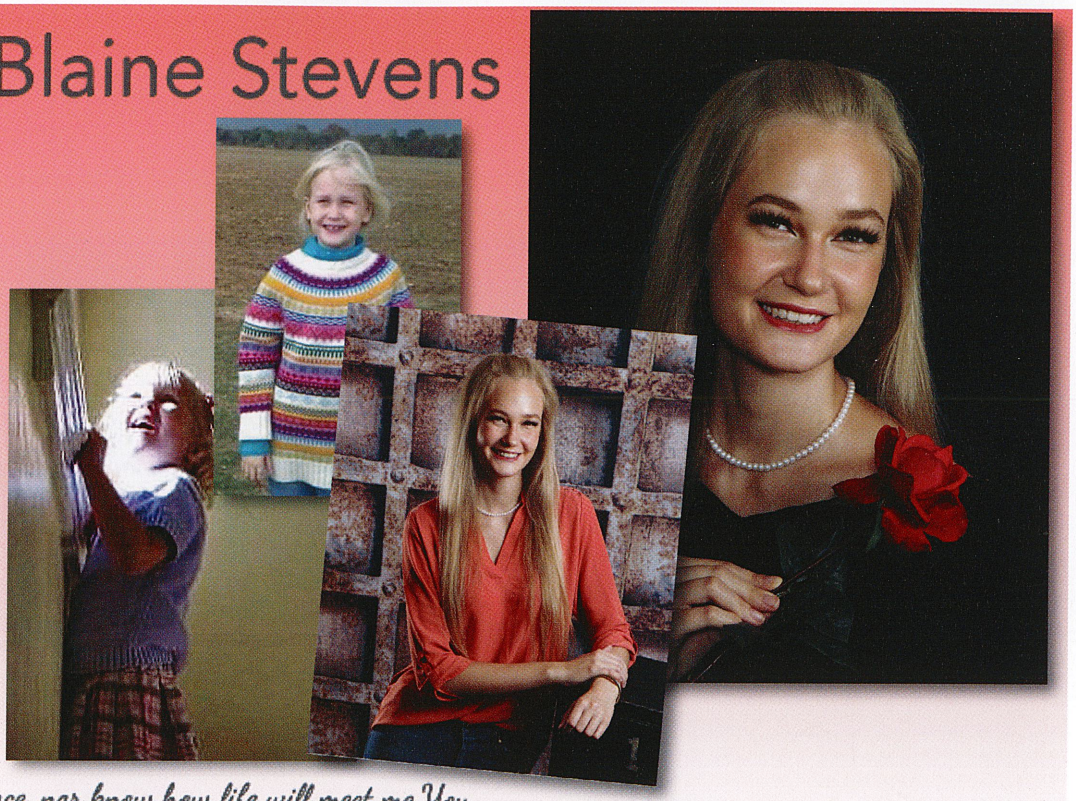
***Congratulations,***
***Payton Sullivan!***

We love you,
*Mom, Dad, and*
*Reilly*



# Elisabeth Blaine Stevens

Dear kind, spirited, fierce, loyal, beautiful, lovely Elisabeth,
What a joy it has been to call you our child, to raise you, love you, and watch now as you enter a new chapter in life!
We love you,
Mother and Daddy



*Tomorrow's road I cannot trace, nor know how life will meet me. You only ask that I be still and trust, Lord: there you'll greet me.*

*The Lord your God is in your midst,*
*a mighty one who will save;*
*he will rejoice over you with gladness;*
*he will quiet you by his love;*
*he will exult over you with loud singing.*
*Zephaniah 3:17*

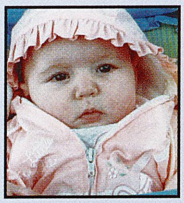
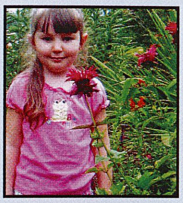
We're so proud of you!
Love, your KVPC family

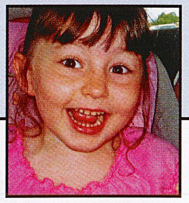
# Deashaun Rhine
# Class of 2022

Featuring: *Rose Lloyd*

We have watched you grow from an adorable little girl into the beautiful young lady that you have become.

Words cannot express our love for you, sweetie. We wish that all your dreams come true, sweetheart!

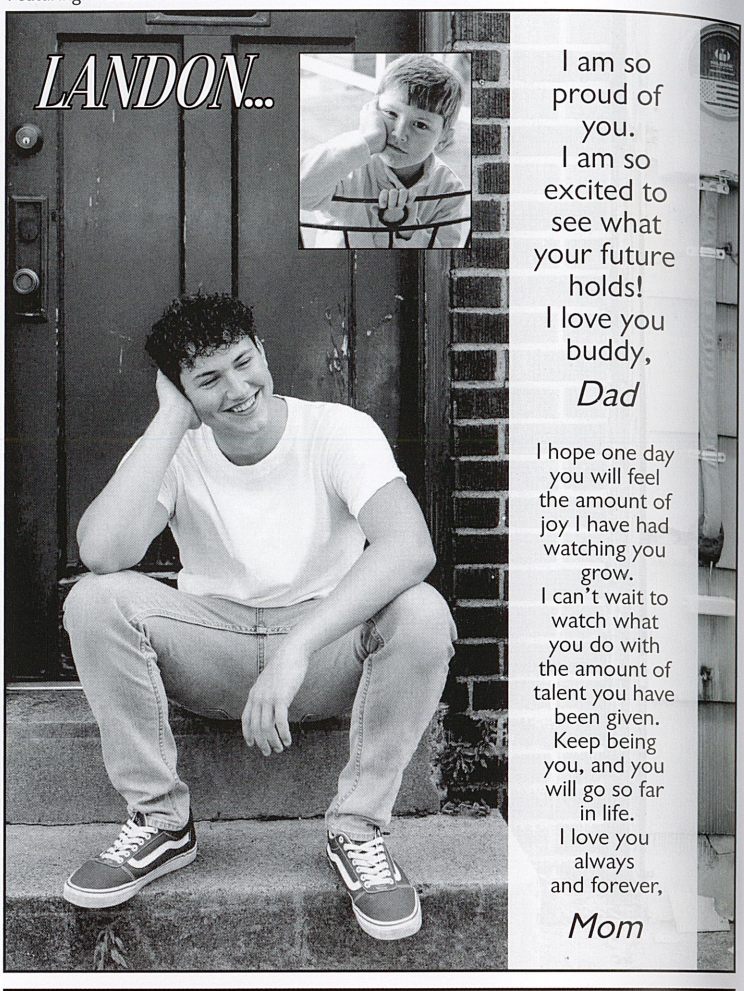





Our darling Rose...

Love, Mom, Dad, Emma, and Anna

Featuring: *Landon Newell*



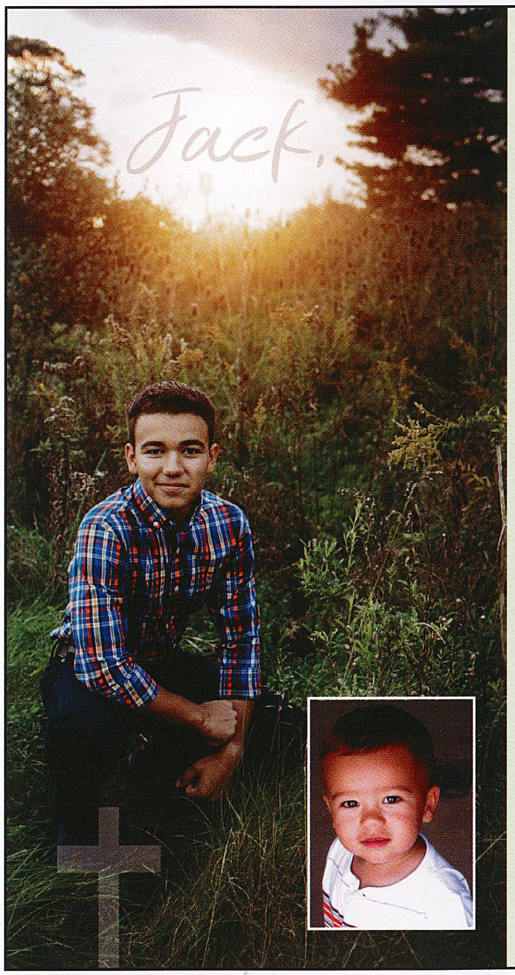
LANDON...

I am so proud of you. I am so excited to see what your future holds! I love you buddy,

*Dad*

I hope one day you will feel the amount of joy I have had watching you grow. I can't wait to watch what you do with the amount of talent you have been given. Keep being you, and you will go so far in life. I love you always and forever,

*Mom*



Jack.

We are so proud of the strong, independent, and entrepreneurial young man you have become—always extending kindness and compassion to all those you meet and never forgetting your Christian foundation.

We are excited to see what comes next for you on this amazing journey called life. Remember, impossible is a word only used by those who refused to try. Congratulations! God bless you always. We love you always...

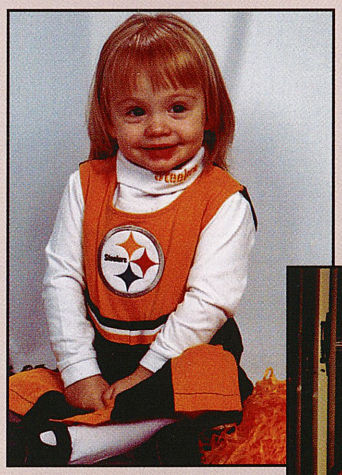
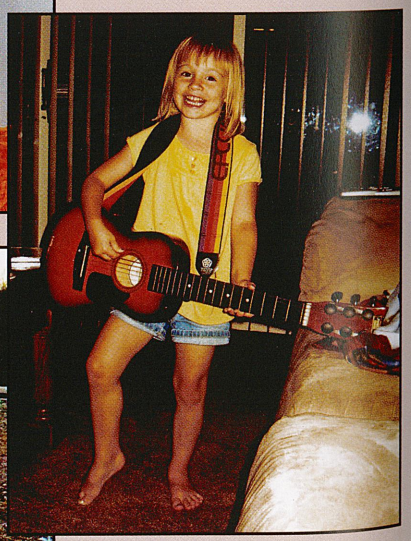
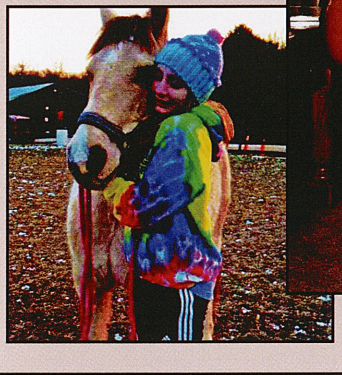
*Mom, Dad, Nina, Owen, Oma, Opa, Grandma, and Pappy*

Featuring: *Jack Konieczny*

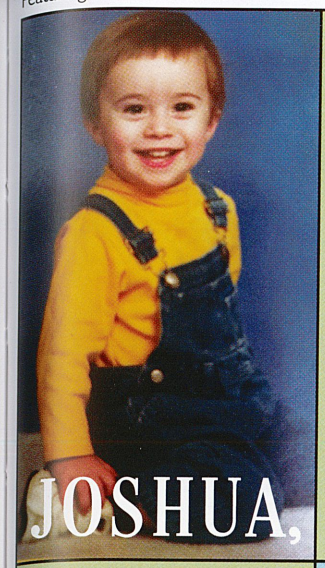
Monica Mae...

We are so proud of you and are happy & excited for your future. You've been such a blessing in our lives, and know that great things await you. The best is yet to come!

We love you very much.
*Mom & Dad*

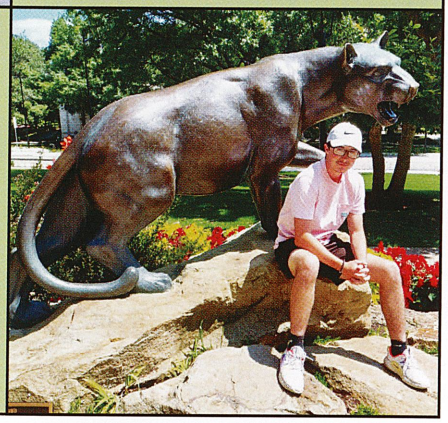
Featuring: *Monica Schmelzer*



# JOSHUA,

How can it be that the time has come for you to graduate? You melted our hearts the day you came into the world. It seems you were just lining up Matchbox cars with Pappy and wrestling with Jacob... oh wait, you and Jacob still wrestle! We've enjoyed every minute watching you play baseball and are happy you found your love of golf. You are always the peacemaker and ready to help anyone. Thank you for the happiness you bring to us. We are truly blessed and love you beyond words. You're such a kind soul, and paired with your dedication, you will go far.

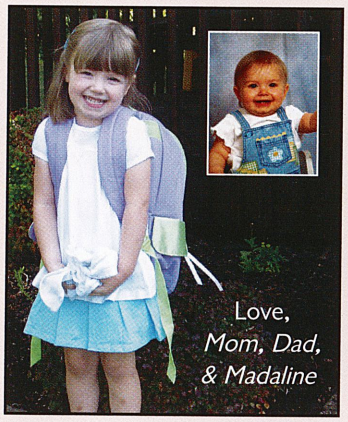
Keep striving for the moon, and we will be right there to support you!
Love, *Mom, Dad, Jacob, Granny, and Aunt Cindy*





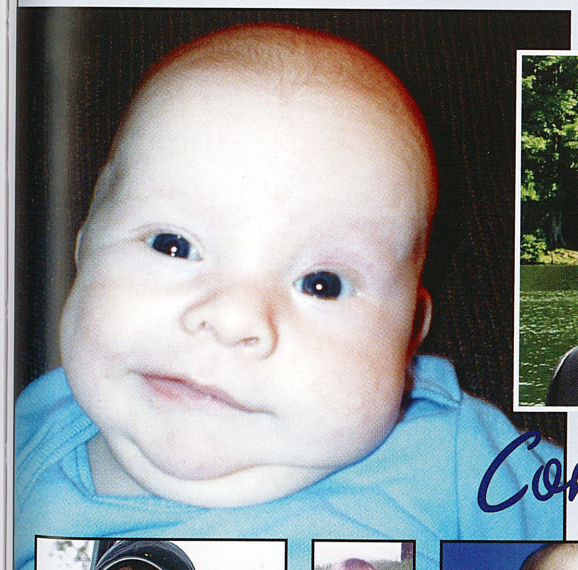
It doesn't seem like that long ago when you wouldn't leave our side and venture out on your own. Now, you are graduating and getting ready to begin your biggest adventure yet. During these past few years, you have taken on every challenge, and we know that there isn't anything you can't accomplish! Believe in yourself, and you will be unstoppable. We are so incredibly proud of you and can't wait to see the amazing things you will do.

Congratulations!



Love,
*Mom, Dad, & Madaline*

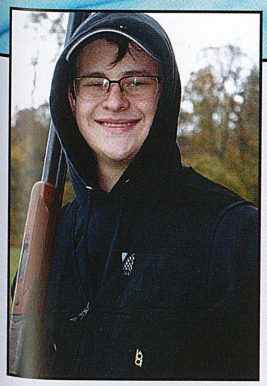
# Sydney,

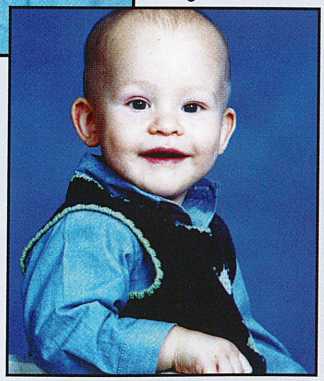


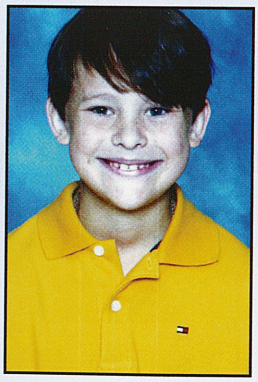
Rejoice in times of happiness.
Be brave in times of woe.
Be bold enough to know your worth,
and wise which path to go.

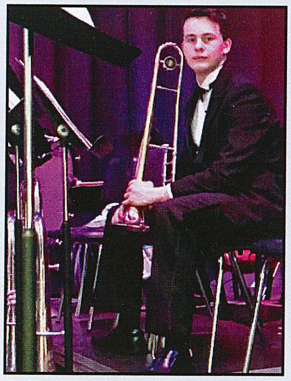
We love you and are so proud!
*Mom, Dad, Lauren, and Brenna*

# Congratulations, Michael!

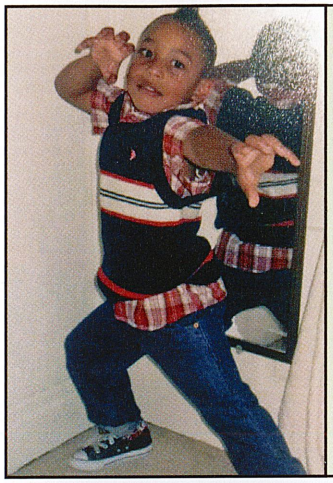








Featuring: *Jameson Sales*



# Jameson...

You came a long way, and we are so proud of you. It is an honor to be your parents and watch you grow as a wonderful, smart, independent, well-mannered person you have become to be. We will always love and support you. As you continue to grow, we will be by your side every step of the way and watch you excel.

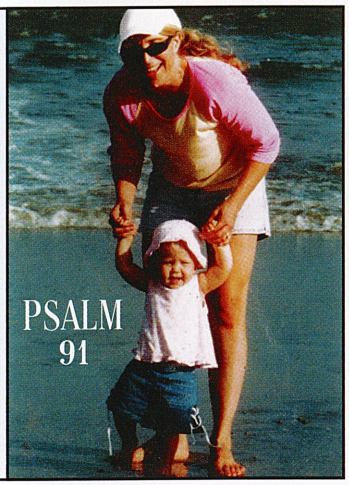
Much Love and Blessings,
*Mom and Dad Sales*

Featuring: *Faith Cook*

# Faith,

I am so proud of you. Your strength shines through in everything you do. God has blessed you with so many talents to contribute to the world, so hold fast to the promises of God, and walk in confidence into a fabulous new season!

Love you,
*Mom & Hayley*



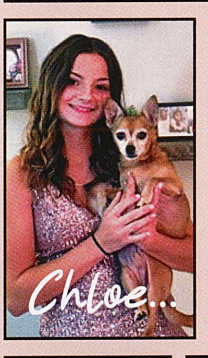

Featuring: *Luke Gray*

# LUKE DAVID GRAY!

We are so proud of the young man that you have become. We can't wait to see what your future has in store for you. Thank you for being a great son and a great brother. Good luck at Slippery Rock. Remember to work hard, and good things will happen.

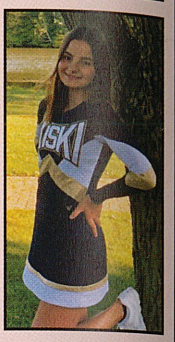
We love you so much!
*Mom, Dad, Mark*

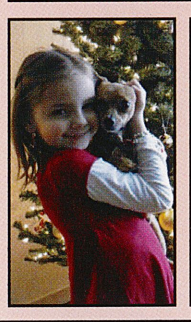
Featuring: *Chloe Arbaugh*

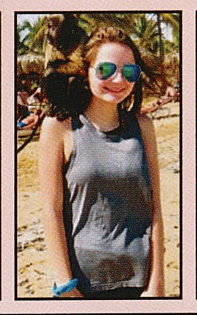


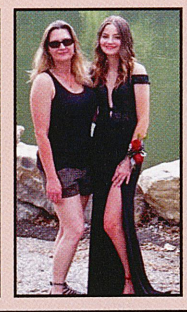

It has been such a joy to be your mother and watch you grow through the years. Whatever you have tackled, you have conquered. As you start this next chapter, always remember *in omnia paratus!* We are so proud of you, kid!

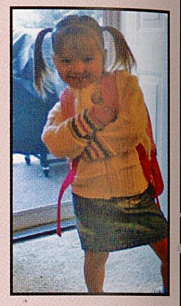
Love,
*Mom, Chuck, and Chuckie*









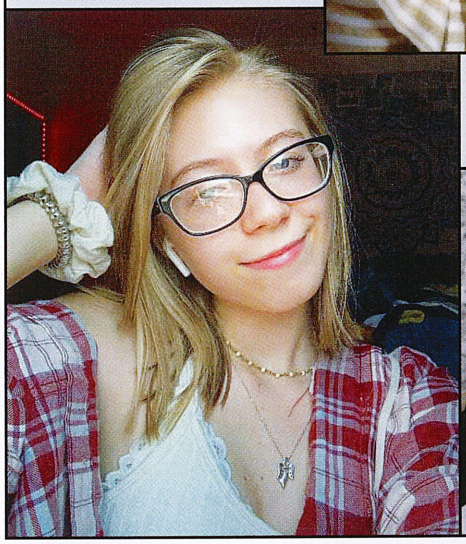


Featuring: *Chelsey Goheen*

# Chelsey,

I am blessed to have you as my daughter. From your first day of school to your last, you have always made me proud.
I hope the future is all you want it to be.

I love you,
*Mom*

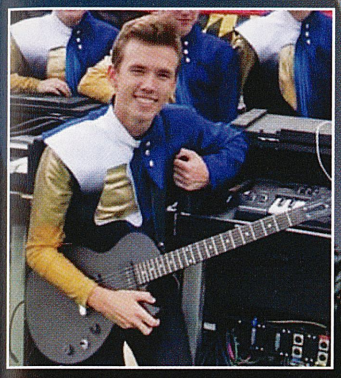


"Go confidently in the direction of your dreams! Live the life you've imagined."
- *Henry David Thoreau*

# TO OUR FAVORITE ROCK STAR,

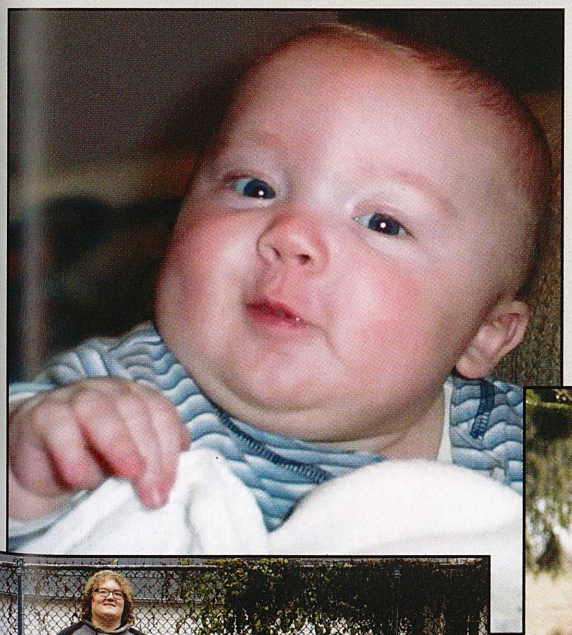
**We love you so much and are so proud of your growth and accomplishments. We can't wait to see where your dreams take you!**

**Love,**
***Mom, Mark, and the Fam***



# Ethan,

We are all very proud of your accomplishments and prouder of the young man you've become. Remember that character, strong work ethic, and determination will forge a successful life.

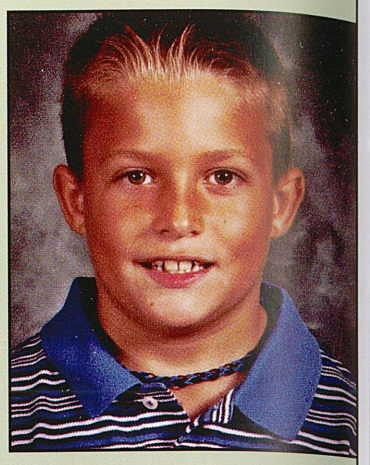


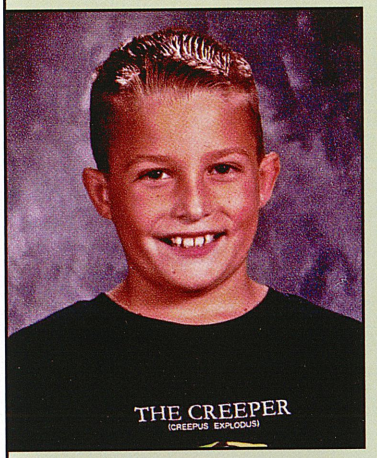
Enjoy the next chapter of your life! We will enjoy watching you write it.

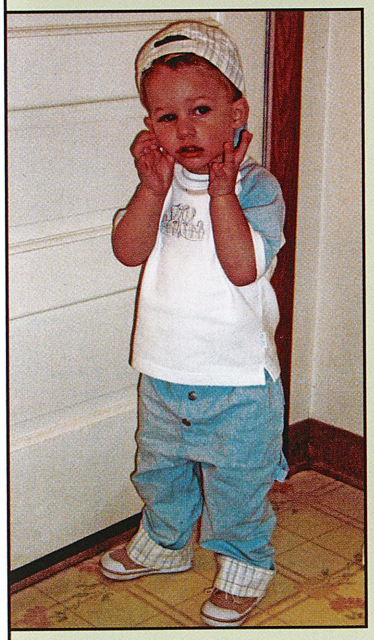
Love,
*Mom and Chuck,*
*Dad and Andrea,*
*Ethan, Elle, and Sawyer*

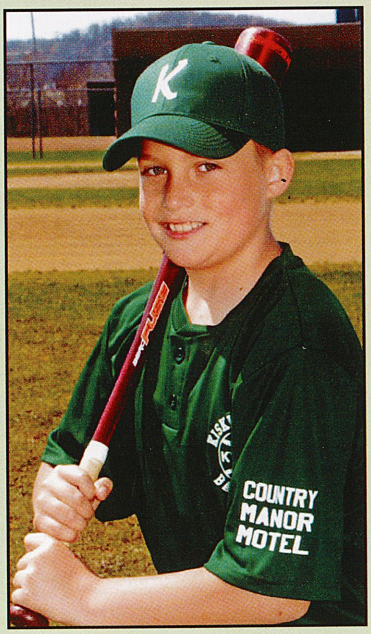
Go out and reach your dreams. Believe in yourself as we have always believed in you. Be braver than you believe, stronger than you realize, and smarter than you think. Fulfill your own purpose, and live up and beyond your potential. Dreams aren't just handed to us; they must be chased and caught with courage.

Live life with
NO FEAR - NO LIMITS
- REACH HIGH!
Love, *Family*









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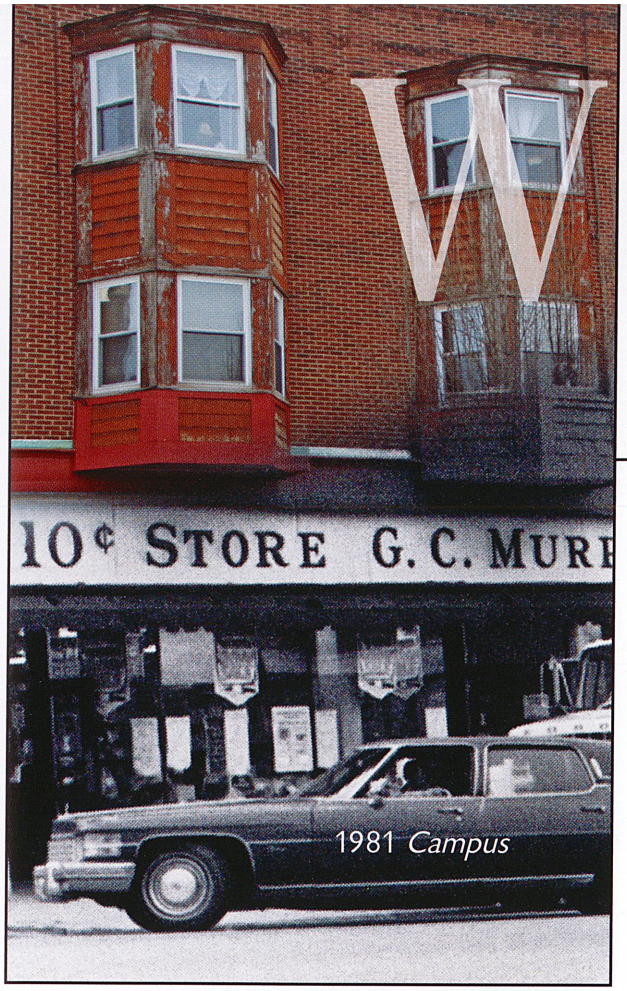

1981 *Campus*

How many of these businesses do you remember?

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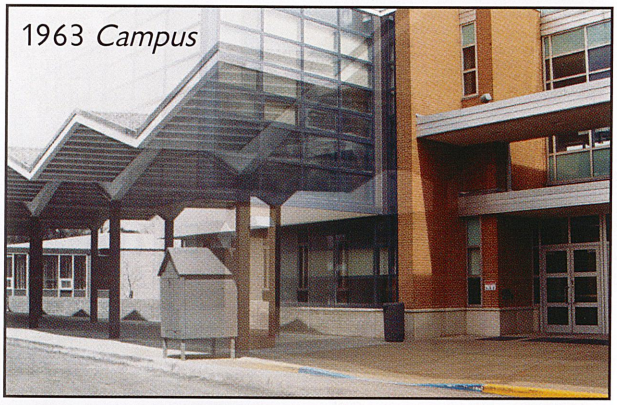
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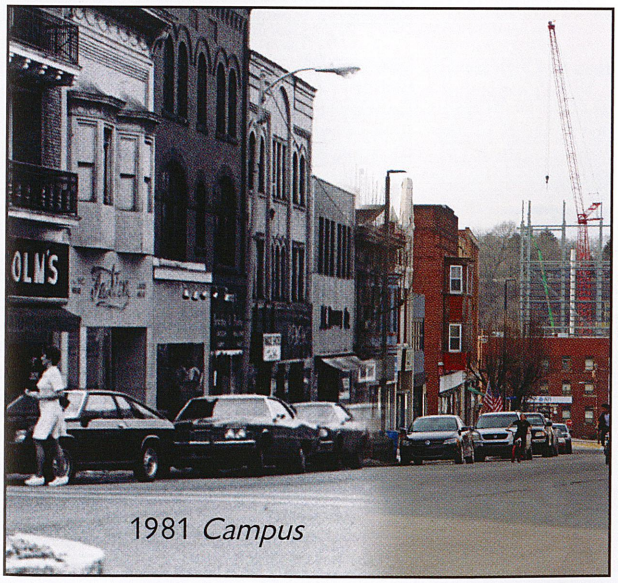

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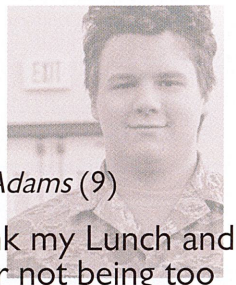

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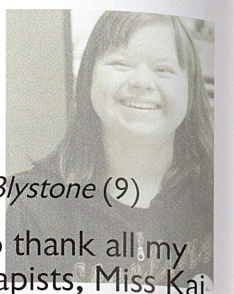

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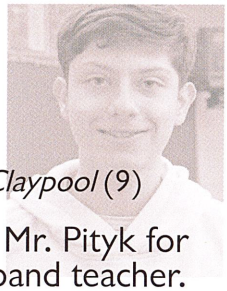

*Grant Claypool* (9)

"Thank you to Mr. Pityk for being a great band teacher. Thank you to Lucas Vrudney (12) for mentoring me through jazz band."


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What memories will you take with you from your time here at the Big K?

"I'll never forget the day before the COVID shutdown and everyone was told to take everything home. I was absent that day and didn't have all the materials I needed to finish the school year."

*Logan Webb* (12)

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Shortly after November 1, their first day of school, students enjoy time together after the second longest teacher's strike in PA history.

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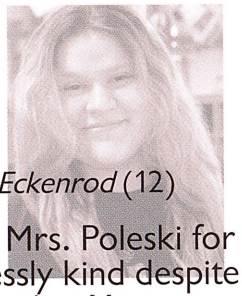

*Ashley Eckenrod* (12)

"Thank you to Mrs. Poleski for being so endlessly kind despite your own struggles. You genuinely care about each of your students and want to see them succeed."

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"Thank you to my parents who give me endless support and push me to be the greatest version of myself."

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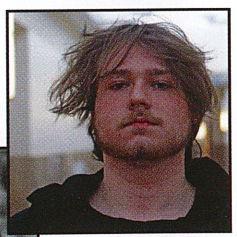
*Pailey Vitale, Cooper Sluka, and Andie Zielinski*

What memories will you take with you from your time here at the Big K?

"I'll miss playing dodgeball throughout the years. Those were good times. I did a front flip over a dodgeball that was coming at me."

*Clayton Smith* (12)



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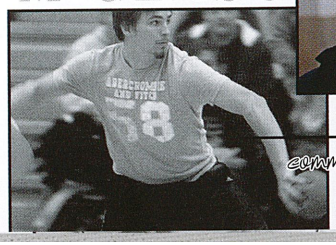

Ready to knock out an opponent fo the students' team, senior Tyler Beitel sets his sights on senior Josh Salm.

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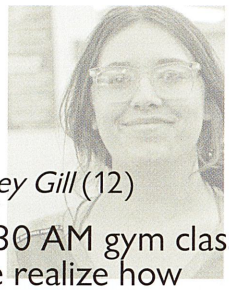

*Courtney Gill* (12)

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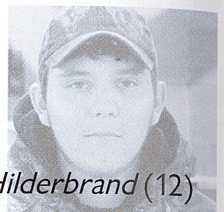

*Blaise Hilderbrand* (12)

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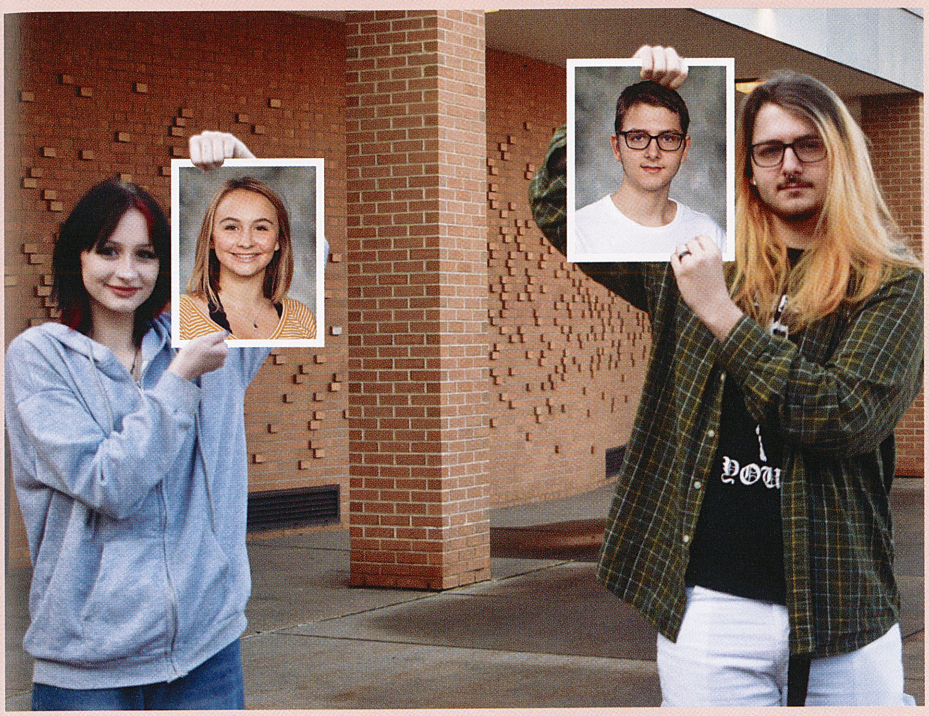


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Going back to its 1962 roots, students have dressed up as the Cavalier mascot. In 1964, he rode on his horse in a parade through Vandergrift.

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*Chloe Isanhart* (9)

"I am thankful for my friend Lily (Junod) for talking me into doing this thank you question for the yearbook."


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*Lily Junod* (9)

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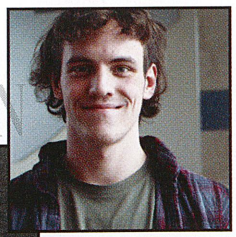
What memories will you take with you from your time here at the Big K?

"I enjoyed hanging out with friends during Lunch and Learn, and I really am glad that I was the mascot this last year. That was a lot of fun."

*Collin Martin* (12)



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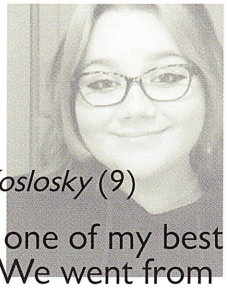

*Alivia Koslosky* (9)

"Thank you to one of my best friends Averi. We went from online school partners to best friends."

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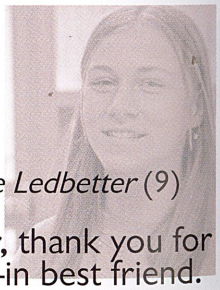

*Adelyne Ledbetter* (9)

"Jael Ledbetter, thank you for being my built-in best friend. You're my favorite person no matter what, and I will always love you. Thank you for getting me through some rough times."

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*Hope McMasters* (12)

"Thank you to Mr. Yuhasz for letting me meet my boyfriend, even if he said we wouldn't last long. You're my number one supporter."

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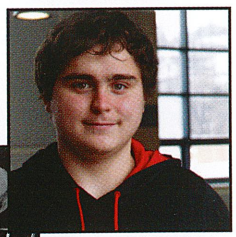
What memories will you take with you from your time here at the Big K?

"The burning of a Hot Pocket that stunk up the building, and we had to spend some time outside until they figured out what it was all about."

*Lucas Harold* (12)



Huddling close to Taylor Pollick and Lexus Switzer, Alie DeLuca tries to stay warm at the 40-degree bonfire weather.

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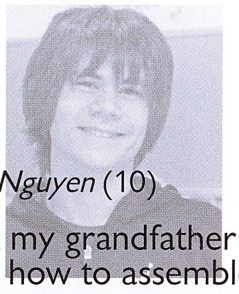

*Tristen Nguyen* (10)

"I want to thank my grandfather for teaching me how to assemble and disassemble personal computers."

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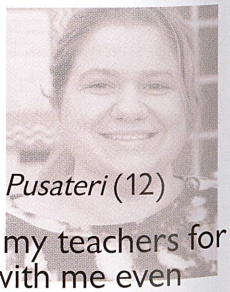

*Lindsey Pusateri* (12)

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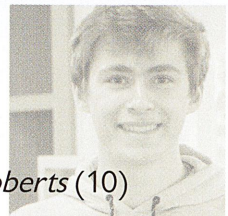
*Enzo Morlacci and Carlee Kuhn*



*Paul Roberts* (10)

"I would like to thank a special person, who has brought pain and sadness to me, happiness and joy, good times and bad times, who I ultimately see as my best friend."

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## SUPPORT

What memories will you take with you from your time here at the Big K?

"Miss Wadsworth in my ACM class has been such a huge help. I'll miss our discussions about my plans for after high school."

*Miabella Steele* (12)

Library Ted Kulas listens to two students discuss daily operations in running the high school library.

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*Cheyenne Sippel* (9)

"Thanks to my stepdad for everything he does. He raised me and showed me how to be a better person. He is the dad I have always asked for, and I am so glad I have him in my life."

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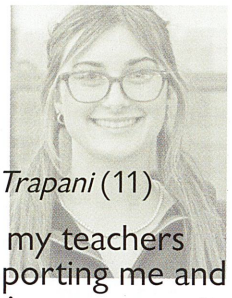
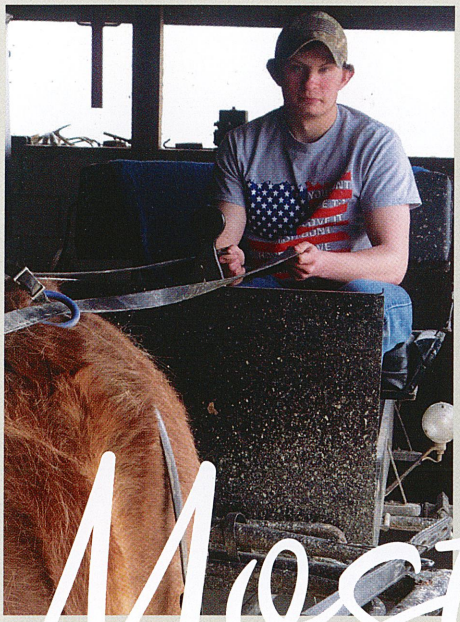


*Sophia Trapani* (11)

"Thank you to my teachers for always supporting me and making my junior year one to remember."



# Most COUNTRY

*Logan Webb and Emma Beck*

## GOOD/BAD EATS

Just after preparing pumpkin gobs, Tyree Elliott finished up washing the pots and pans.

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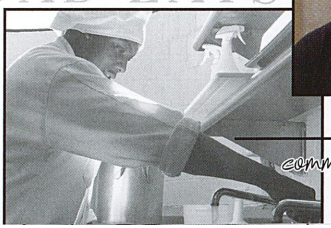

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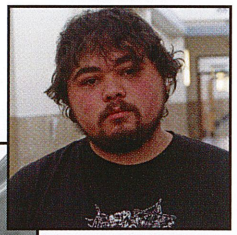
"There are many things I am going to miss from here, but lunch is definitely not one of them."

*Austin Lawhead* (12)



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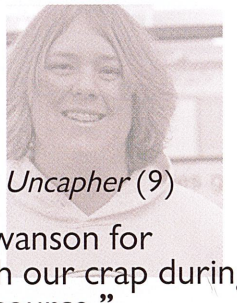

*Nathan Uncapher* (9)

"Thanks Mr. Swanson for putting up with our crap during 5th period Resource."


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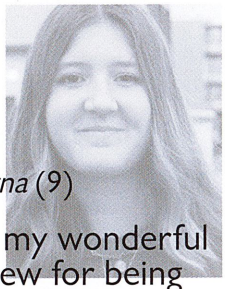

*Ava Vigna* (9)

"Thank you to my wonderful brother Matthew for being horrible at Rock, Paper, Scissors."


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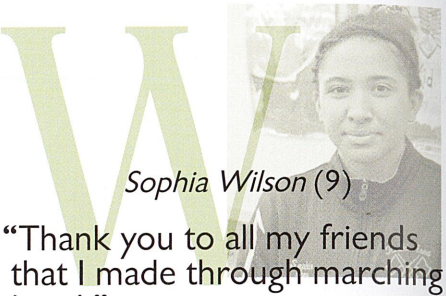

*Sophia Wilson* (9)

"Thank you to all my friends that I made through marching band."


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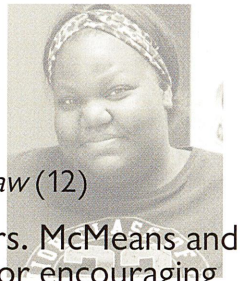

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*Akila Yaw* (12)

"Thank you Mrs. McMeans and Mr. Capanna for encouraging me to be in the musical and step out of my comfort zone and helping me with challenging obstacles."

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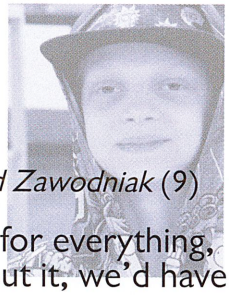

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*Reyland Zawodniak* (9)

"I am thankful for everything, because without it, we'd have nothing."

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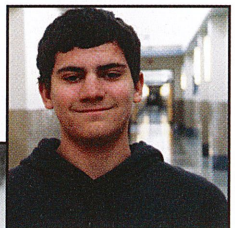
## Most ARTISTIC

*Olivia Croney and Jack Coleman*

What memories will you take with you from your time here at the Big K?

"Krazy Dipper Day is a tradition that is the finest in all the land. I am thinking of opening a Krazy Dipper Restaurant some day."

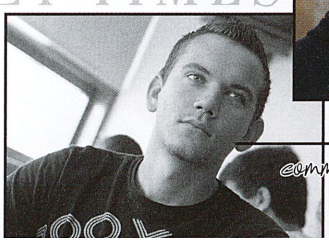
*Logan Vacanti* (12)



KRAZY TIMES

In Mr. Fantaski's morning geometry class, Cody Hill remembers Krazy Dippers on the menu for lunch.

Photo: 2015 *Campus*, p. 60



### Wrapped up...

As Miranda Crofutt (11) rockets her sabre in the air, Audrey DeTurck (12) wraps her flag silk around her. "I really enjoy going to competitions and seeing and hearing people get really into the show, especially people that aren't in the guard world," DeTurck said. She enjoyed the current show the most because, as a senior, she related to the show's theme of not wanting to grow up.

### Punishing the panthers...

In an explosion of baby powder, Ethan Connor (12) celebrates a Cavalier touchdown against the rival Franklin Regional Panthers. Connor said, "There is nothing better than beating Franklin Regional in any competition, at any time, on any day, on any field or classroom." Connor crushed Panther Ben Pekarcik (12) 10-6 when they wrestled earlier in the season.

Photo: *F. Boyle* (12)

Photo: *F. Rossi* (Frank Rossi Photography)

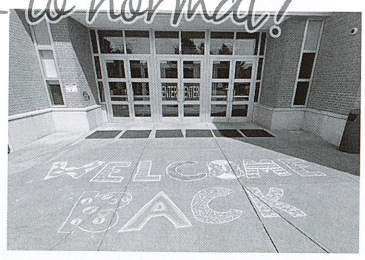
### I came, I saw, I conquered...

In preparation for *Shrek the Musical*, Annie Bowser (11) cuts a 2x4 for the altar in the church scene. "Using the saw created a small dust cloud because the vacuum only could catch so much of the dust. So, at the end of each evening, we had to sweep the stage for what was missed," Bowser said. As her first true musical, Bowser had consternations about opening night for herself and the stage crew.

Photo: *S. Smietana* (11)

# WHA

## back to normal?




# 9 MONTHS AGO

### So many adjustments...

After a school year where 75% of the students learned remotely, "Welcome Back" took on a whole new meaning as not only freshmen, but a lot of sophomores had to get acquainted with the layout of the high school, find their spot during Lunch and Learn, and get used to seeing everyone every day again. Even though juniors and seniors had a good familiarity with the school building, they also had to refamiliarize themselves with the regular routine of the school day. As the year progressed and the masks came off, Laken Robshaw (11) felt that the middle of the second nine-weeks provided that tipping point where school-as-we-knew-it had finally returned. "The assignments seemed to be longer and more stressful again. That's when I noticed that school was 'back to normal'," Robshaw said.

# AT WE LEFT *behind*

## A 60-year celebration of everything Cavalier

Story: *R. Frye* (11)

Still nestled in the rolling hills of northwestern Westmoreland County sat Kiski Area High School, but in a different time.

The 2021-2022 school year marked the contended end of COVID-19 to which many FULL faces reappeared in the halls, events like the *Key Club Talent Show* made a comeback, and students left with new mind-souvenirs, both big and small.

"One thing I definitely won't forget is sitting next to Rachel in the back of history class. We ended up the friends who didn't pay attention to anything because they were too busy messing around," Cody Fox (10) said.

Aware of the situation, Mr. Odrechowski said, "I am still convinced they're dating."

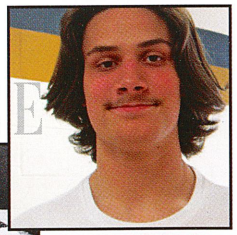
"The Homecoming Game was pretty lit with the crowd filling the stands," Xavior Ford (10) said. For two years, the stands stood empty.

"After seven years in color guard and winter guard, I wouldn't trade any of the experiences I've had for anything, even Neverland," Maycee Auden said. The Scholastic Open Winterguard topped the nation in rankings all season with their Peter Pan-themed show, *Second Star from the Right.*

*What we leave behind* is the same as the other 59 graduating classes — what we did, and what we'll do. Both extraordinary.

"I am excited to live on my own and be independent."

*Steven Miller* (12)



Discuss what you most look forward to after high school.

INDEPENDENCE

Members of the Future Homemakers of America organization learn skills such as alterating clothing, all to prepare them for their lives after graduation.

Photo: 1981 *Campus*, p. 162

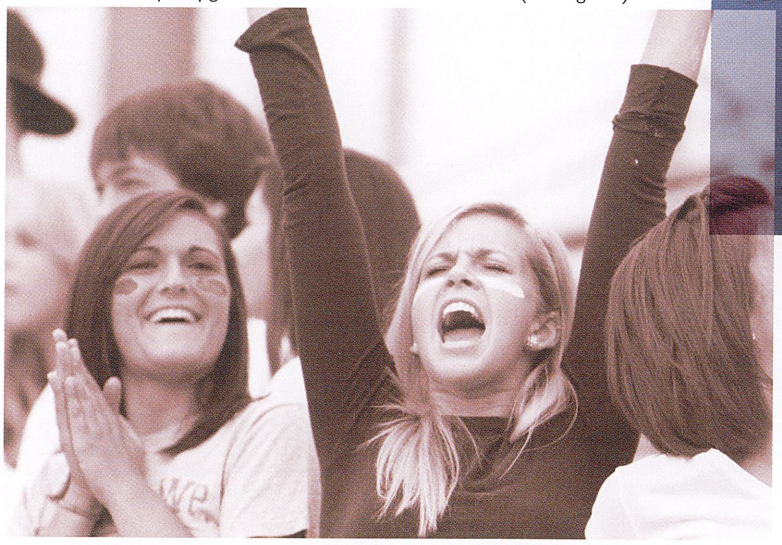
# senior TRIBUTES

During the first week of school, each senior receives a form that defines everything parents need to know about Senior Tributes. The form details pricing, requirements for the ad, and deadlines.

The yearbook staff does its best to personalize each ad, and this takes a considerable amount of time. Furthermore, each year, the staff has only a limited amount of space for Senior Tributes. Therefore, to guarantee that individual ads will appear in the book, the staff suggests that parents submit them as soon as possible. The *Campus* staff reserves the right to deny Senior Tributes once the designated amount of space has become filled.

Photo: 2015 *Campus*, pg. 211 - *Taylor Caldwell* (2015 grad)

Photo: 2010 *Campus*, pg. 2 - *Olivia Graham* and *Cassie Edlis* (2010 grads)



# client SATISFACTION

Because the yearbook represents a student conceived, planned, and produced publication, the staff cannot guarantee complete satisfaction to the purchaser. Hence, the staff will not refund money for poor portrait quality, misspelled names, incorrect grade designation in captions, etc. Books returned for refunds must not have any writing in them and cannot display any obvious damage done by the student. Once returned, the book becomes property of the staff and may be resold at the current cost.

The yearbook staff will exchange books only for certain reasons. No exchanges will transpire unless the advisers determine that the book has a major flaw such as missing or upside-down pages. All refunds and exchanges happen only at the discretion of the advisers.

Should the yearbook staff have no record of a student ordering a book, the student must produce a canceled check or ordering receipt to demonstrate proof of purchase. No student may pick up a book for another student.

# pspa sjc RESULTS

*Gianna Kraus* - 1st place in YB Story Writing
*Emma Beck* - 1st place in Lit Mag Artwork
*Jack Coleman* - 2nd place in Lit Mag Artwork
*Jordan Glunt* - 2nd place in Lit Mag Poetry
*Rachel Frye* - 4th place in YB Sports Story Writing
*Olivia Croney* - 5th place in Editorial Cartoon
*Faith Boyle* and *Jayden Mattis* - Photography results unavailable at final submission time.

# senior PHOTOS

BEST advice

"ONE GOOD TURN GETS ALL THE COVERS."

G

Featuring: *Principal Anthony Gonnella (Penns Hills 1977 Grad)*

The Class of 2023 must have their yearbook portraits taken by the official senior photographer *JostensPix*.

The senior photographer will take pictures during students' English classes and provide a variety of packages from which to choose. While we certainly encourage it, students do not have to purchase pictures or packages from the senior photographer.

The yearbook staff can guarantee that individual senior pictures will appear in the book only if each student arrives promptly for his/her appointment for the shoot and chooses which proof to appear in the book on time. No profile shots will appear in the yearbook. Additionally, the yearbook staff and the senior photographer will define all due dates and will include these in the information distributed via email.

By having portraits taken by the same photographer under the same conditions, the yearbook staff can implement uniform quality for all photographs, thereby serving the best interest of the students.

# senior SPECIALS

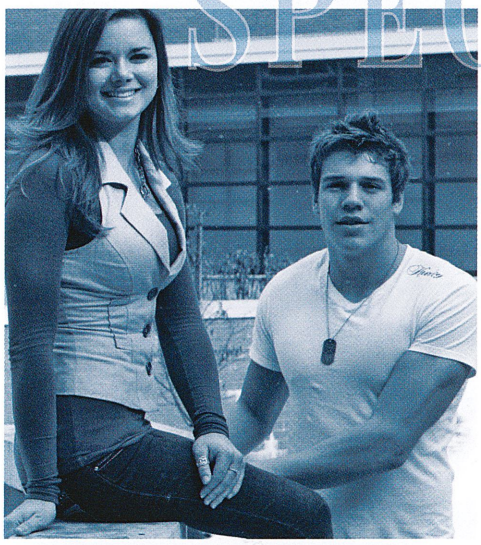


Photo: 2009 *Campus*, pg. 244 - *Dessie Mitcheson* and *Kenny Beck* (2009 grads)

The Senior Specials represent a Cavalier tradition worth keeping. The staff tries to include only categories that reflect positively on the students.

Sometime in the spring semester, the staff designates a week for all seniors to vote on their favorite in a wide variety of categories.

Only the yearbook advisers have access to the ballots. The yearbook staff plays no role in the election.

To maximize the opportunity for each student to receive a Senior Special, no senior may win two categories. Should one student win two or more categories, the yearbook advisers govern the final decision on how to award them.

# campus PATRONS

The *Campus* staff would like to thank the following students, parents, and friends for their one-time generous donation to yearbook functions. The staff utilized this money to help motivate students with several working pizza luncheons.

*Ms. Dawn M. Fryar*
*The Pulice Family*
*Connie Collini*
*Dalin Graham*
*Melissa Widziszewski*
*Colleen & Ken Widziszewski*
*Ray and Jaynee Weaver*
*Lynn Favero*
*The Joyce Family*
*Jim & Robin Joyce*
*Luke Patton*
*Liam Patton*
*Joelyne & Rob Altman*
*Russell Blystone*

# campus PRICING

Students order books online or in-person. Students must fill out a yearbook ordering form, place it in an envelope with the appropriate payment, and drop it in the wooden collection box outside of the library.

Alternatively, students and parents can order their yearbooks online at yearbookforever.com. If ordering online, students have additional options to customize their book.

The price of the book started at $60, went up to $65 on September 1 and $75 on January 8.

If the staff has books available at the end of the year, they will sell them on a first-come-first-serve basis for $85.

What memories will you take with you from your time here at the Big K?

"Thank you to my older brother for always motivating me to be the best I can be."

*Abby King* (10)

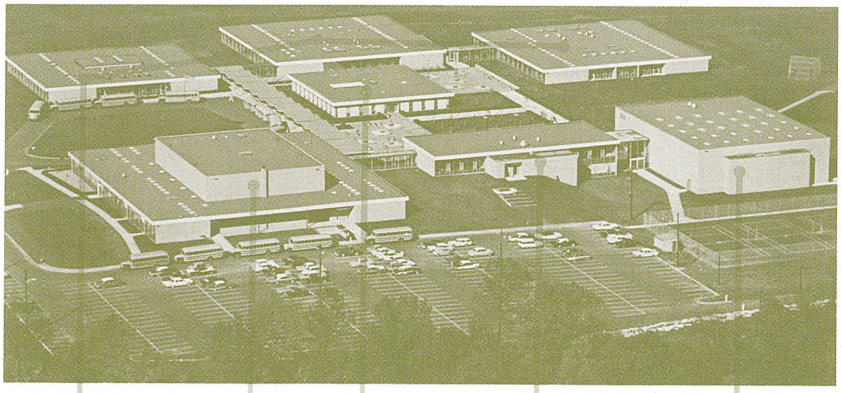
FAMILY

Wishes from Adam Poleski's family in his senior tribute ad included loving life and well wishes for Happy Valley. Poleski earned a degree in Statistics with a minor in Computer Science.

Photo: 2018 *Campus*, pg. 209

# AND NOW... A SIXTY

Photos: 1962 *Kiski Area High Schoool Facility Brochure*



Tenth, Eleventh and Twelfth-grade Classroom Buildings.

Lively Arts Building.

Administration, Library, Guidance and Health Building.

Cafeteria Building.

Gymnasium Building.

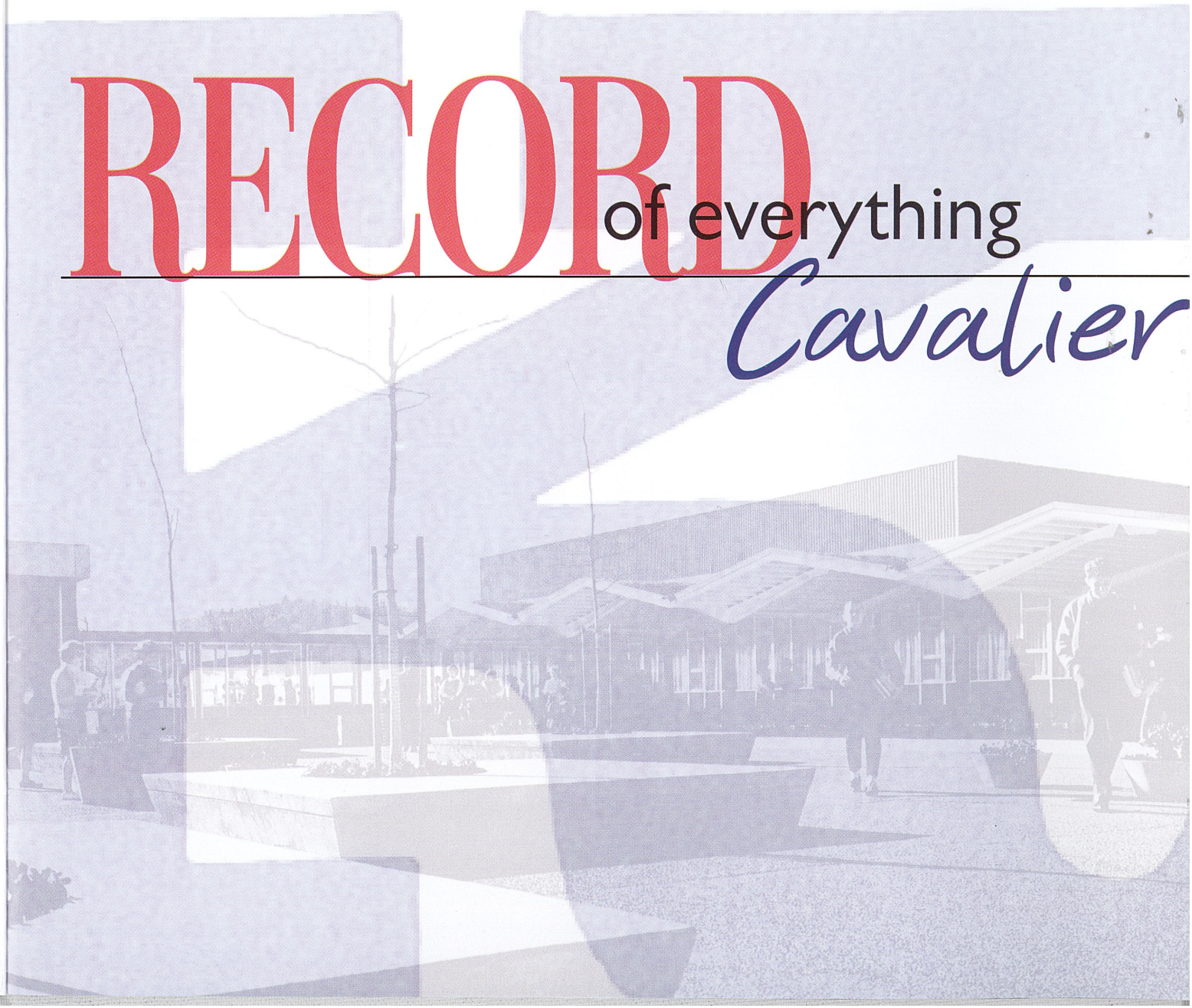
"I'd like a change of scenery, maybe somewhere like New York City, Italy, or Hawaii... somewhere I can work with big animals at a zoo."

*Jorgie Evans* (12)

Where do you hope to one day settle down after graduation?

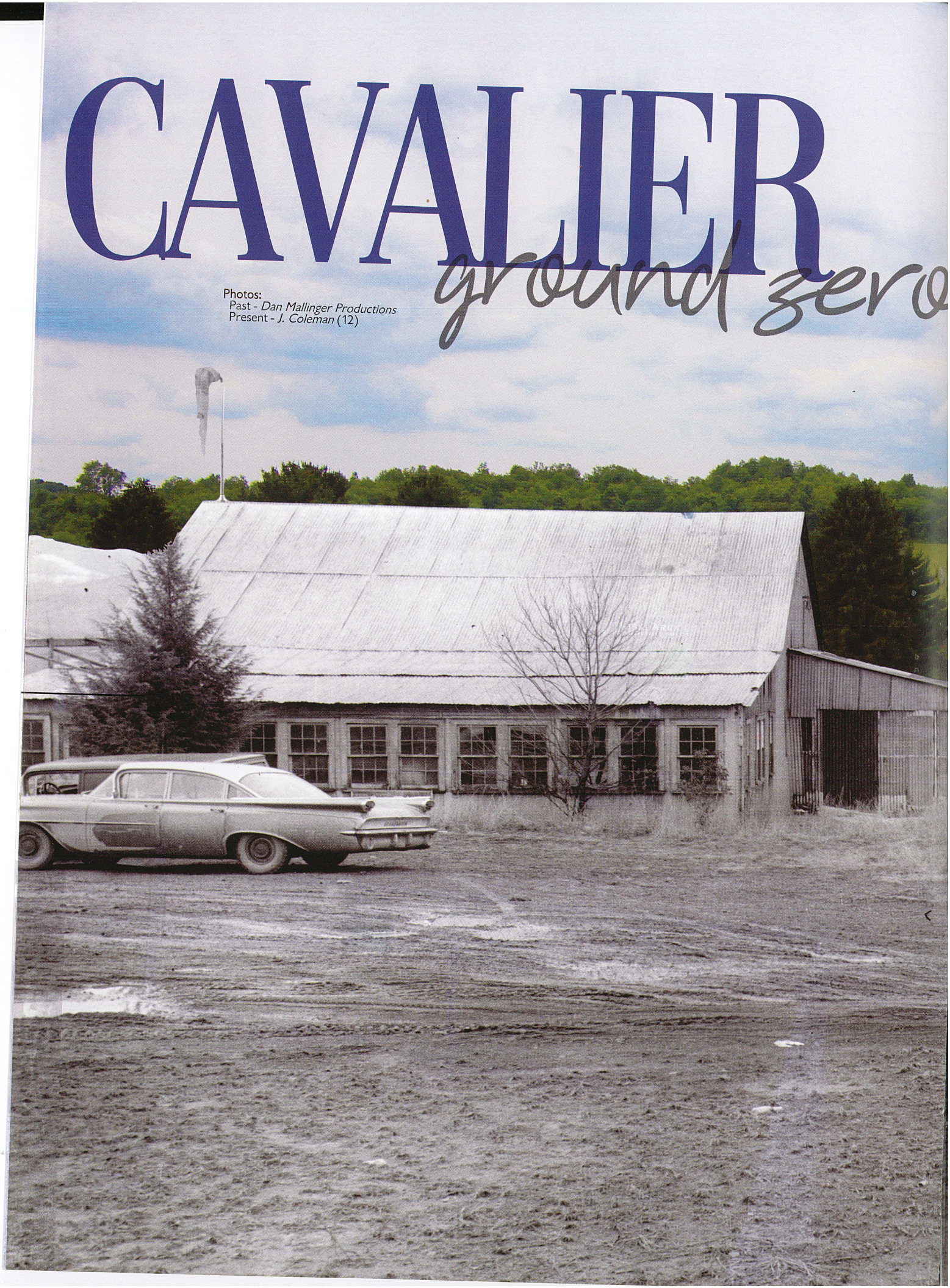
# YEAR

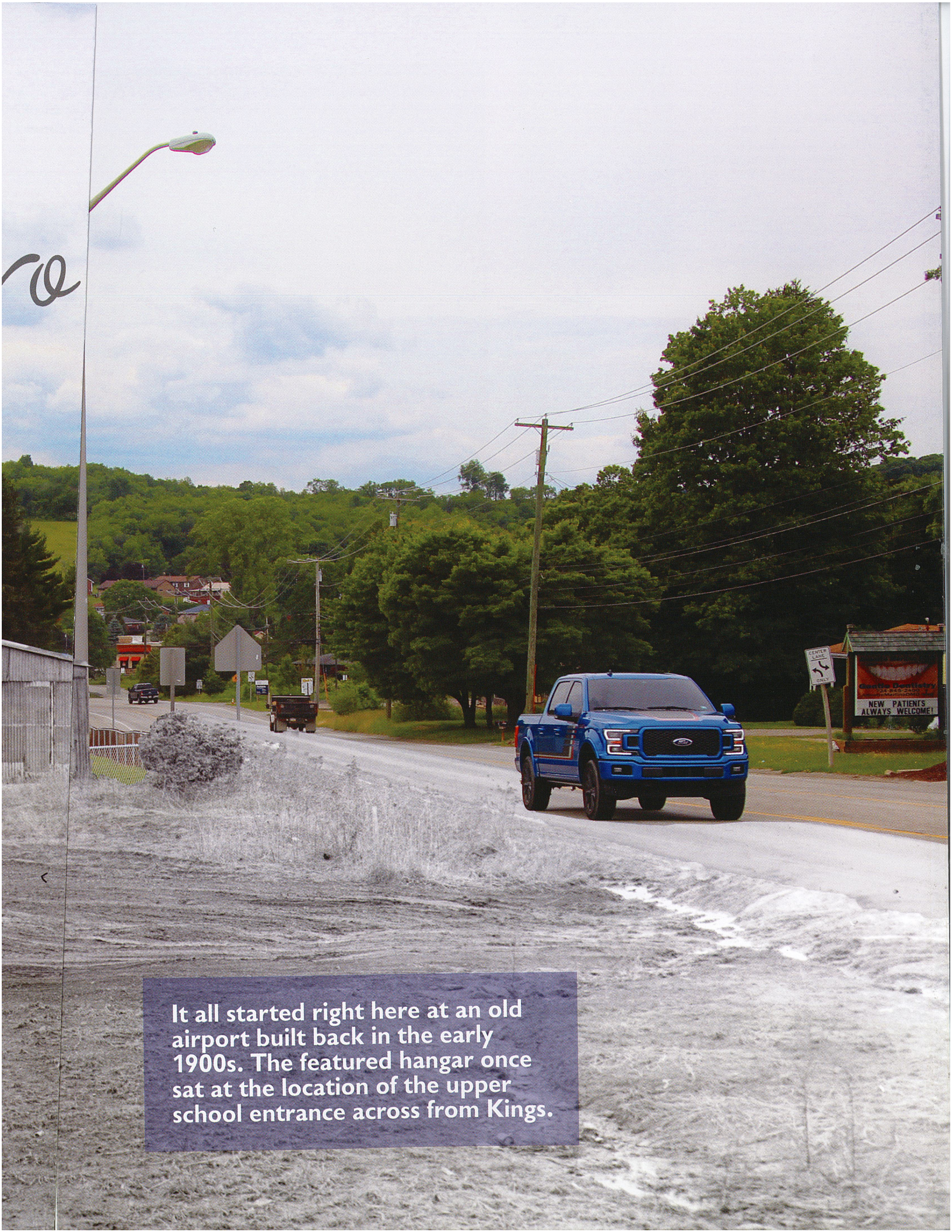
# RECORD of everything Cavalier



# CAVALIER *ground zero*

Photos:
Past - *Dan Mallinger Productions*
Present - *J. Coleman* (12)






It all started right here at an old airport built back in the early 1900s. The featured hangar once sat at the location of the upper school entrance across from Kings.

# WEATHER catastrophes...

Rain, snow, and wind have certainly played havoc on the high school over the years. With torrential downpoars, blizzard-like conditions, and a twister that lifted part of the auditorium roof off, the district had to cancel school for days upon days at times.

### Twist of Fate

On Tuesday, the 3rd of June, 1980, tornadoes ravaged their way through the Kiski Valley. Leaving behind a devastating path of debris, the twisters caused millions of dollars in damages. On campus, the tornadoes only damaged the Arts Building. Workers had to replace the roof above the shops and also repair many floors and ceilings due to water damage.

Photo: 1981 *Campus*

### Let It Snow

On March 12-13, 1993, a blizzard brought the Pittsburgh area to a standstill. Snowing at a rate of two-three inches per hour, the storm accumulated a shocking 25 inches of snow. In its two-day period, one-third of the yearly snow amounts for 1993 had fallen.

Photo: 2007 *Campus*

### Ivan the Terrible

On Friday, September 17, 2004, Hurricane Ivan rained down on an already saturated western Pennsylvania. Dumping up to nine inches of rain, the downpours triggered massive flooding and mud slides across the area which closed hundreds of roadways and bridges. Ivan's torment broke the just-set rainfall records from the week before.

Photo: 2005 *Campus*

### Unbearable Heat

On Tuesday, September 4 and Wednesday, September 5 of 2018, scorching heat and humidity affected the Pittsburgh area. With record-setting temperatures in the mid-90s, sports teams were forced to practice before school. To provide relief to students and staff, the district implemented two two-hour early dismissals and moved the September 5 date for Open House to October 2.

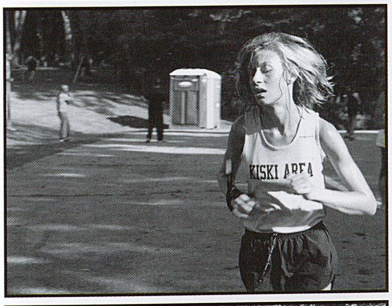



Photo: 2019 *Campus*

### Washout Rains

From Saturday, September 8 to Monday, September 10 of 2019, drenching downpours blanketed western Pennsylvania. Creeks overflowed their banks and rivers swelled to record heights. Impassible roads like Allegheny Hyde Park Road opened up craters big enough to swallow a Volkswagen Beetle.

Photo: 2019 *Campus*

# fallen campus icons

## THE TUNNEL

Photo: 1975 *Campus*

The 307-foot tunnel closed in the late 1980s for several reasons. First, the ceiling kept leaking and patches failed to work. Secondly, administration felt that it became too difficult to patrol the students as they traveled through. Lastly, it presented a lighting problem that became too costly to fix.

## THE OBSERVATORY

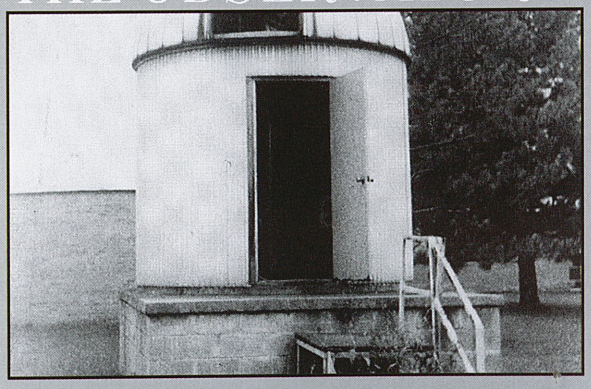


Photo: 1991 *Campus*

Constructed in 1975, the observatory closed in 1988. Lighting from the developed plazas above campus made it impossible to see the stars and other bodies at night. In its day, many clubs and organizations utilized the equipment in the observatory.

## THE WALKWAY

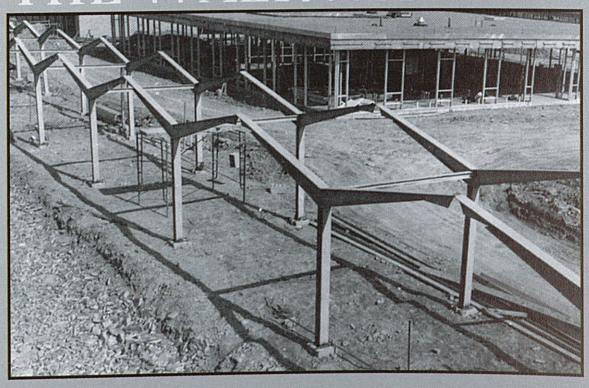


Photo: *Campus* archive

A mere skeleton of its former self, Larson Construction Company erected the framework for the walkway and the administration building on August 15, 1961. Sadly, the covered sidewalk fell victim to the most recent renovations.

# SPORTS

## TOP 3 dynasties

### WPIAL glory...

During the WPIAL Championship Game, quarterback Tom Giotto (1972 grad) throws a jump pass which eventually finds the hands of Joe Stone (1973 grad) for eight yards and a first down.

Photo: 1972 *Campus*

### football...

Slated to become a rebuilding year, the 1971 season, instead, concluded with an undefeated 12-0 record, a third straight Foothills Conference Championship, and a WPIAL AA Title. A 48-20 win over Norwin started the season, and a decisive 56-6 win over Highlands ended the regular season. Penn Hills brought a good fight to the first playoff game, but Joe Stone (1973 grad) broke the 6-6 tie with a field goal with 37 seconds on the clock. At Pitt Stadium, Thomas Jefferson fell in the title game 16-8, marking Kiski's first and only WPIAL football championship.

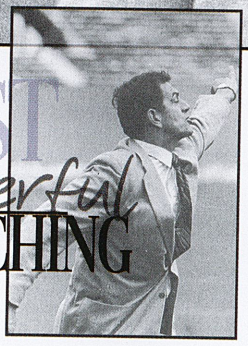
### wrestling...

From 1997 to 2019, the wrestling team captured six WPIAL team championships, including a three year run in '17, '18, and '19. Known throughout Pennsylvania as a powerhouse program, individual state champions occurred in 2012 with Matt McCutcheon at 182 pounds, Isaac Reid in 2018 at 285 pounds, and Darren Miller in 2019 at 126 pounds. Coach Chuck Tursky took over the program in 1987 with a seamless transition to current coach Chris Heater when Tursky retired as the head coach. Coach Don Toy served on Tursky's staff for 26 years. Between Tursky, Heater, and Toy, the wrestling program has enjoyed an unprecedented level of stability and reign over western Pennsylvania wrestling.

### cross country...

The members of the girls' 1996 cross country team gave it all to defeat their opponents and conquer the hills, mud pits, and other challenges they faced throughout the 3.1 mile courses. The blazing sun in August and single-digit wind chills in early November also tested the runners' limits. The girls were section champs for the eighth year in a row and finished first at four invitationals and the County meet. However, the climax of their season happened when they defended their WPIAL and PIAA titles. Tri-captains and seniors Amy Lion, Kristen Kimble, and Sandra Smith found winning states in 1996 more special because the team had to deal with pressure and expectations to repeat.

## MOST masterful COACHING



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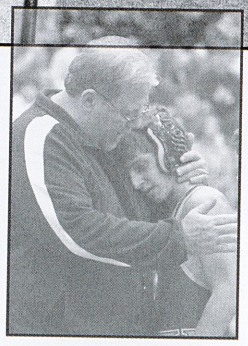

Photo: 2012 *Campus*

### Dick Dilts (football)

Legendary football coach Richard Dilts brought toughness and tenacity to the football teams with 13 conference titles and the school's only WPIAL championship. His career included over 200 wins when he retired in 1993.

### Chuck Tursky (wrestling)

Claiming WPIAL team titles in 1997 and 2003 and sporting 505 victories between Burrell HS and Kiski Area HS, Coach Chuck Tursky earned every accolade he received. He also became PIAA Coach of the Year in 2003.

## record of standout events

**Note:** To create the following time line, the 2007 *Campus* editorial staff spent two days in the high school library researching and analyzing each of the Kiski yearbooks since 1963 to gather all of the information that follows for an Alumni Directory. While some books displayed obvious landmarks to include, others did not. Additionally, please realize that a discrepancy exists in the nature of high school sports years for the fall and winter sports as they sometimes lag a year behind in records. Still, enjoy and reminisce through a timed history of Cavaliers past.

**1963** - (226 graduates) After breaking ground in 1961, the new school finally replaced the old airport - Lynda Vaughn (sophomore) named the high school yearbook *The Campus*. She suggested the title because of the architectural design and activities of the new school.

**1964** - (287 graduates) Astronomy Club raised funds to build a 12.5 inch reflecting telescope - FBLA turned the tunnel into a classroom to check coats at basketball games - Students could take Latin as a foreign language.

**1965** - (590 graduates) First class to have spent all three years at new school - First time foreign exchange students came to study - First Varsity Track Team - 1964 Football Team went undefeated and untied as the Foothills Conference Champions.

**1966** - (359 graduates) Clubs included the Quill and Scroll Club and Russian Club - Washington Township entered the district - William Miller became principal of the high school.

**1967** - (436 graduates) Football won section title (1966) - *Campus* yearbook cost $4.50 - *Kiskizette* put out 10 issues - Students enjoyed flourishing intramural sports program.

**1968** - (473 graduates) Students performed *Guys and Dolls* for the spring musical - Baseball won section title - Boys Track became WCCA Champions.

**1969** - (491 graduates) Boys Swimming won section title - Carol Maffeo elected Homecoming Queen.

**1970** - (504 graduates) Clubs included Geography Club and Afro-American Club - Football won section title (1969) - Boys Swimming won section title - English Department introduced new electives to the curriculum - Students protested the Vietnam War - U.S. astronauts landed on the moon on June 20, 1969.

**1971** - (498 graduates) Courses offered included "Short Stories," "Local Color," "Russian Literature," and "Advanced Language" - Birth of *Life at Kiski* (Channel 12 broadcast run by students) - KA Band played at 3 Rivers Stadium for KDKA's 50th Anniversary - Football won section title (1970).

**1972** - (530 graduates) Additions to school included library building, pool

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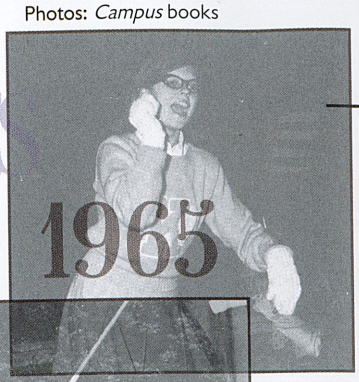
# SO MANY memorable MOMENTS

Photos: *Campus* books

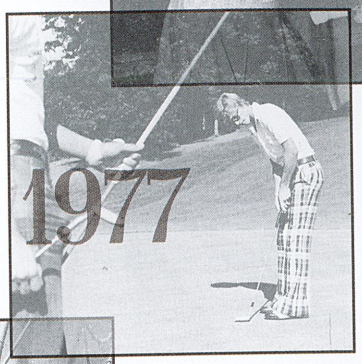
### *Successful strategy...*

In the wrestling team's quest for a second straight WPIAL title at Trinity High School, Danny Starr (2018 grad) pins Zach Rohaley of Canon-McMillan in the 220 pound match to secure the team title by a score of 33-24. Coach Chris Heater said, "I moved Starr from 195 to 220 pounds, and he got the pin. We went nuts." The team won their third WPIAL title in a row in 2019.

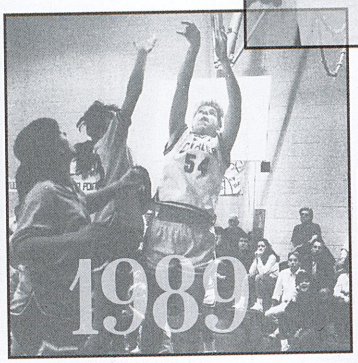
Photo: Taken from 2017 *Campus*




Cheering at a football game during the 1964 season, Jane Whitworth Clawson (1965 grad) displayed enthusiasm for the home team. Seven varsity and eight junior varsity cheerleaders supported the team throughout the 1964 season.

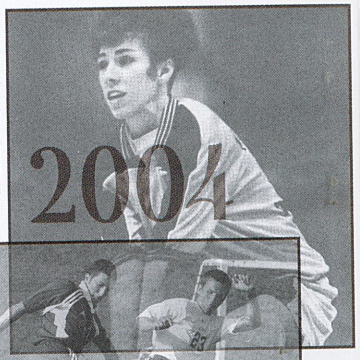



During the fall 1976 boys' golf season, Anthony Giotto (1978 grad) capped off his fine yearlong performance by placing third at the WPIAL tournament.




While making her move to the basket, Debbie Kepple (1989 grad) finds a lane to make a lay-up attempt. The squad finished the season with a 9-13 record.

As she sets up to receive the ball, Jodie Altman (1994 grad) plans to return it to a spot for her teammate to spike. Coach Liz Pollick led the squad in the 1993-94 campaign.

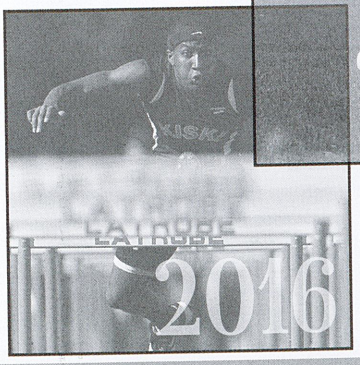


Right midfielder Ryan Seybert (2008 grad) attempts to steal the ball from Penn Trafford opponent Zach Ryder. On playing PT, Seybert said, "They always played a rough game and ended up beating us. Seybert also wrestled for the varsity team.

Photo: Taken from 1997 *Campus*

### *back to back state champions...*

The Girls' Cross Country team set the courses on fire in the fall of 1996, producing WPIAL and PIAA Class AAA victories like they did in 1995. No athletic team in the Kiski Valley had ever repeated as WPIAL and Pennsylvania State champions until the girls cross country teams of 1995 and 1996.




Inside Latrobe Stadium, Jace Roundtree (2016 grad) competes to win a medal in the County Finals race. "Coming into this year, I did not know what to expect. Still, in the end, I've met many goals. But, I will keep striving for something better," Roundtree said. He won the County Championship in the 100-meter hurdles.

building, and business wing - 33 new courses introduced into the curriculum - Memorial created to honor Kiski alumni who gave their lives for the Vietnam War.

**1973** - (501 graduates) First Volleyball Team at high school - Gymnasts have second undefeated season in a row - Junior class raised $2000 selling Betsy Ross candy - Clubs included Stage and Auditorium Management Club, Rocket Club, and Rifle Club.

**1974** - (534 graduates) Girls' Volleyball won section title - Gymnastics won section title - Clubs included Needlecraft Club, Magic Club, and Curriculum Committee.

**1975** - (569 graduates) Stellar year for sports with section titles in Girls' Swimming, Softball, Gymnastics, and Girls Volleyball.

**1976** - (520 graduates) America celebrated 200th anniversary with local festivities all over the district - Wrestling won section title - Gymnastics won section title - Football won section title (1975).

**1977** - (489 graduates) Students could pick their own gym classes - Talented music students traveled to Brussels, Belgium - KAEA went on strike.

**1978** - (429 graduates) Birth of Gifted Program - First telethon held to raise money for Children's Hospital - *Campus* yearbook featured Senior Specials for first time.

**1979** - (503 graduates) Prom theme based on timely Led Zeppelin super hit *Stairway to Heaven* - Birth of "Jazz Rock" ensemble that bridged chorus and band - High school received the Farkleberry Trophy from KDKA for raising $45,000 for Childen's Hospital - First Vocational Technology program.

**1980** - (484 graduates) Student Council headed *Penny Power*, where students brought in pennies for charity that totaled 3,297 pounds or $4,879 which broke a world record - Steelers attended KA Telethon - Students raised $50,000 for Children's Hospital Fund Drive and KDKA awarded district Farkleberry Trophy for third time.

**1981** - (473 graduates) Tornado devastated area on June 3, 1980 and ripped the roof off of the Arts Building - The twister severely damaged Vandergrift and Apollo - Superintendent James Daniels retired after 15 years of service.

**1982** - (420 graduates) Gymnastics placed second at the state finals - Dr. Stephen Vak became Superintendent of the district - Football won the Foothills Championship (1981).

**1983** - (451 graduates) KAEA went on strike and school started November 1 - The strike represented the second longest strike in PA history at the time - The high school experienced a series of bomb threats that had students travel to the baseball field - Homecoming and Senior nights fell on the same evening because of the strike - *The Kiskizette* sold for 25 cents.

# HOW *learning has* CHANGED

Teaching and learning has changed tremendously in the last 60 years. Chalk, chalkboards, and erasers as a mode of presentation evolved into the use of overhead projectors with markers since teachers could use more colors in their presentations. Whiteboards with dry erase markers followed and allowed for more room to write. Finally, SMART boards and Promethean boards enabled teachers to use laptops, Chromebooks, and tablets to raise the level of their presentations to a much higher level. Technology forced Mr. McKenzie to change his bulleted notes on the overhead into bulleted notes on the Chromebook.

Students in 1962 relied on pencils, pens, erasers, and lined paper to complete assignments. While many classes relied on these apparati, the advent of the one-to-one Chromebook initiative turned a lot of handwritten and hand-turned-in assignments into digital pieces where students logged into their Google Classroom to submit their work. In math, calculating through the years happened on abacuses, then slide rules, then four-function calculators, then scientific calculators, and finally graphing calculators. The huge, heavy graphing calculator turned into a phone and Chromebook app. This ended the age-old excuse, "The dog ate my homework."

Movies that teachers wanted students to see used to run through a film projector. The advent of video cassettes relegated the projectors to the archives, except for those that lived through Mr. Vergari's annual showing of the classic film about the fictional winter storm Maria (pronounced ma-rye-ah) that lashed California. DVDs, which bumped out the video cassettes, eventually lost out to digital videos that one could easily find using the internet and YouTube.

However, over 60 years, one could easily apply the concept of homework, tests, research, and science labs to the notion "The more things change, the more they stay the same."

Photo: 1963 Kiski Facility Brochure

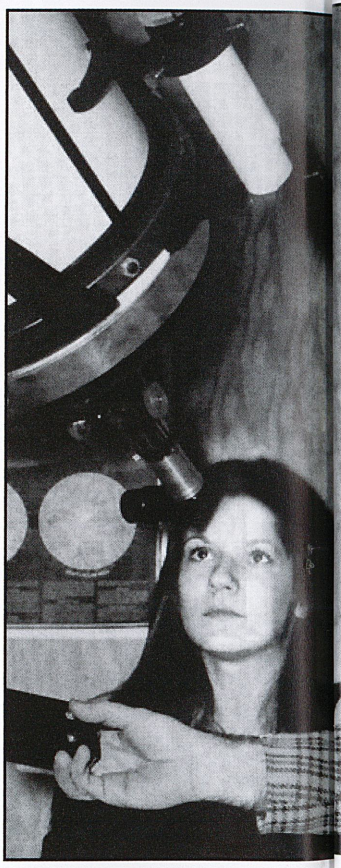
*listen and learn...*

Mrs. Darling's French class takes advantage of the high-tech language lab. Students listened to recordings and practiced their pronunciation. Their teacher could listen in on each student individually and speak with them.

*no control-alt-2s...*

In the business wing on campus, a student types in Mrs. Espy's typing class. Prior to the implementation of computers, past learners had to utilize typewriters, correction tape, and a lot more paper.

Photo: 1975 *Campus*



# ACADEMICS *over the years*

**1984** - (406 graduates) Telethon raised over 10,000 pounds of food for the Alle-Kiski Food Bank - Clubs included Thought for the Day Club and Junior Achievement Club - Boys' Basketball won section title.

**1985** - (382 graduates) Student Council organized "Puttin on the Hits" which showcased the talents of students in the school - Boys' Basketball won section title - Boys' Golf (1984) won section title - Students experienced "An Evening in Paris" at the senior prom.

**1986** - (372 graduates) For the first time, freshmen joined the upperclassmen at the high school - Boys' Basketball team placed second at the state championships - Boys' Golf won section title (1985) - Students voted present Superintendent, Dr. Meighan "Teacher of the Year" - Clubs included May We Help You Club, Put Your Seatbelt On Club, and Sewing Club.

**1987** - (345 graduates) Clubs included Trivial Pursuit Club and Computer Club - Boys' Basketball and Boys' Swimming won section titles - Baseball won section - Football won section (1986) - The school celebrated its 25th anniversary.

**1988** - (311 graduates) Renovations included a new gym floor, new tennis courts, a new track, and new paint in the high school buildings - Under the direction of Mr. Scott Koter, the marching band first started to compete - Boys' Golf won section title (1988).

**1989** - (329 graduates) The Marching Band placed 9th in the nation - Boys' Swimming won section title - Boys' Track won the section title and WPIAL Championship - Clubs included Singing Telegram Club and Mopar Club.

**1990** - (322 graduates) Opening in the fall of 1989, the intermediate school welcomed the district's eighth and ninth graders - Another stellar year for sports with titles in Girls' Cross Country (1989), Girls' Swimming, Softball, Boys' Track, Football (1989), Boys' Golf (1989), and Girls' Volleyball.

**1991** - (280 graduates) The Boys' Track team placed second in the state championships - Mock Trial won the county championship - Boys' Cross Country won section title (1990) - Girls' Cross Country won section title (1990) - Football won section title (1990).

**1992** - (282 graduates) Stellar year for sports - Girls' Cross Country won section title (1991) - Girls' Track won section title - Girls' Basketball won section title - Students attended *Voyage...Beneath the Sea* Prom - Marching Band (1991) won the Bands of America AA National Championship and placed 3rd overall in the Finals performances in Indianapolis.

**1993** - (277 graduates) Mr. Richard Dilts retired as Athletic Director of the district - On March 12 and 13, the entire region experienced one of the heaviest snowfalls in Eastern PA history that totaled to 25 inches

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From decade to decade, Cavalier clubs have continued to provide students with varied experiences.

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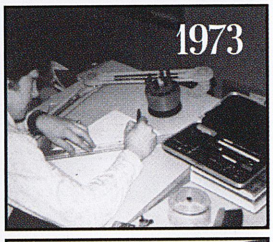

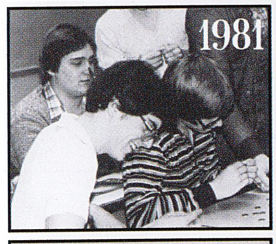

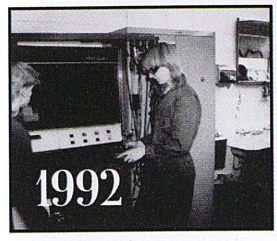


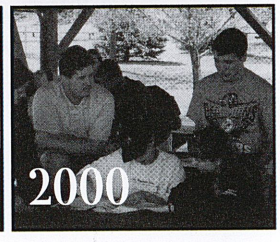


Photos: *Campus* books

*1966*
Future Nurses of America stimulated interest in health careers, visited local hospitals, explored career options, and learned basic nursing skills.

*1968*
Members of the Varsity and 300 Clubs form a "V" to show unity. Athletes who lettered in three sports in a year earned membership into the coveted 300 Club.

*1972*
Library aide Denise Chovanes sifts through piles of dated magazines in an effort to fill a student's request. At one point, the library had 40 student aides.

*1973*
The Drafting Club constructed visual aids for teachers and also did the set design for the school's musical *Annie Get Your Gun*.

*1976*
The Rock Club's sponsor Mr. Szyczak played old records from the fifties and sixties to expose members to all forms of music, not just rock.

*1979*
Future Homemakers of America members learned the skills needed to become homemakers, including baking, cooking, fashion, and interior design.

*1981*
Coin Club members and their sponsor Mr. Woitas met to learn about, discuss, and trade coins.

*1982*
Sponsored by Mr. Pipkins, the Afro-American Club established black pride in the Kiski Valley. The group of students held many fundraisers to support their cause.

*1992*
VICA's members comprised of Vo-Tech students exclusively. They fundraised and used their funds for an end of the year trip.

*2000*
Envirothon team members spent the year preparing for competition in May. The categories studied included aquatics, wildlife, forestry, and soils.

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(319 graduates)
Miss Mattu implemented a rebirth of Pride Club - Girls' Cross Country (1995) won the State Championship - Fantastic year for sports with championships in Wrestling, Boys' Track, Softball, Girls' Cross Country won the State Championship (1995).

(308 graduates)
Rebirth of musicals at the high school with *Bye Bye Birdie* - Marching Band (1996) placed 3rd overall in the nation in Indianapolis - Girls' Cross Country won the state championship for the second year in a row (1996) - Chris Zarichnak became the first *King of Hearts* - 25th Anniversary of the Kiski Area War Memorial - Mr. James Dick accepted the position of Secondary Education Administrative Assistant.

(280 graduates)
Complete renovation of the high school auditorium - Clubs included Internet Club and KAETV - Fantastic year in sports with section titles in Girls' Track, Girls' Basketball, Girls' Cross Country (1997), Softball, and Wrestling.

(311 graduates)
Clubs included Bible Club, Multicultural Club, and Ski Club - Jazz Bands expanded to three ensembles - Many activities and events planned to commemorate the last year of the 1900's - Softball won section title - Wrestling won section title - Volleyball won section title.

(324 graduates)
Pride Club held its first bonfire - WTAE named Jaime Vick *Athlete of the Week* - Six foreign exchange students came to the high school from Germany, Italy, France, Brazil, and Spain - Boys' Cross Country won section title (1999) - Softball won section title - Wrestling won section title - Girls' Volleyball won section title.

(309 graduates)
State implemented new graduation project - New attendance policy for the district - *Alice in Wonderland* became the first fall drama - Wrestling team continued its section dominance.

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## THE NUMBERS *TELL THE TALE*

Some Surprising Stats...

**31** The number of years in a row the marching band won their class at a Bands of America event

**3800** The approximate number of students who sang in a Cavalier choir.

**32** The number of different musicals performed over the years.

**4** The number of high school choral directors since the school opened in 1962

**85** The number of members in the inaugural marching band, including majorettes

### *High School Choir Directors*

**John McClelland** (1961-1990)

**Ellen Rupert** (1990-2006)

**Tammy Hampshire** (2006-2017)

**Sarah McMeans** (2017-Present)

Photo: 1965 *Campus*

### *yuletide tones...*

Under the direction of choral director John McClelland, members of Concert Choir perform pieces from Handel's Messiah for the annual Christmas Assembly. On Christmas night, Channel 4, WTAE, telecasted a portion of the performance to the Pittsburgh Area.

Photo: 1994 *Campus*

### *first in the nation...*

After placing fourth at the BOA October 8 Eastern Regional Finals held at WVU on November 5, 1994, the regiment won its AA Class at Grand Nationals in Indianapolis. With their *Come Rain or Shine* show, the band placed first (regardless of class) in the preliminary performances with a score of 95.20. Show selections included *Here's That Rainy Day*, *Don't Rain on My Parade*, *Over the Rainbow*, and *On a Clear Day You Can See Forever*.

# BEST MARCHING BAND

## *1994 Class AA Bands of America Grand National Champions*

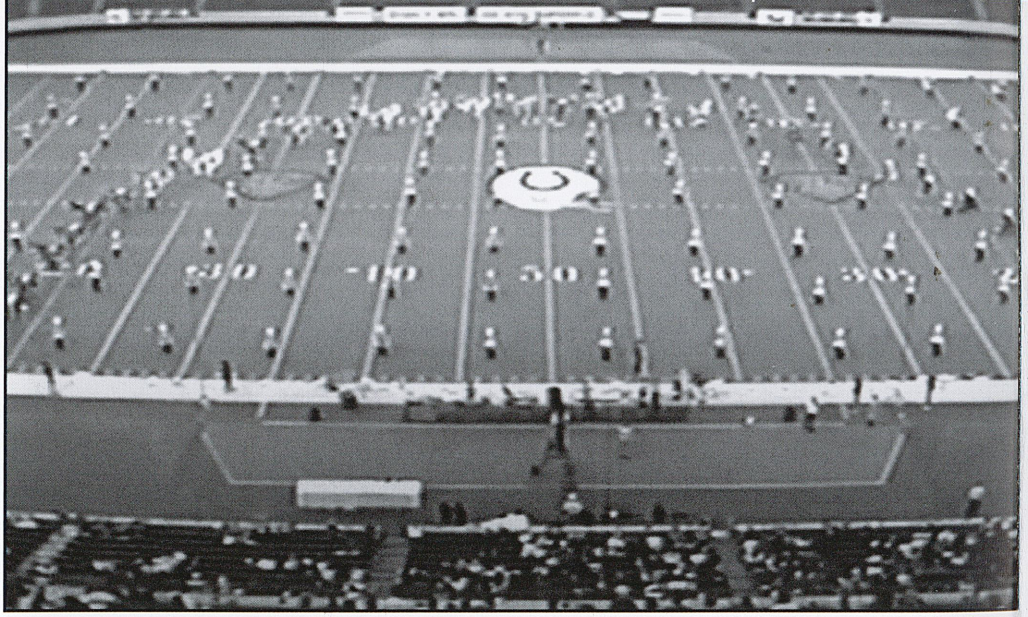

Photo: Stillshot from 1994 *Come Rain or Shine* show

(329 graduates)
40th Anniversary of the high school - The country tried to revive from the events of September 11 - Stellar year in sports with section titles in Wrestling, Baseball, Softball, Girls' Golf (2001), and Boys' Basketball.

(302 graduates)
Superintendent Dr. Stephen Vak retired after 21 years of service - Andrew Stockey from WTAE presented the McKillop brothers with the coveted *Athlete(s) of the Week Award* - Football team made playoffs for the second year in a row - Wrestling Team placed second in the state - High school yearbook received national recognition - Renovations of the high school commenced.

(291 graduates)
Students in the high school witnessed the destruction of the courtyard, the walkway, and various other casualties of the vast high school renovations - First *Rally in the Alley* - Marching Band placed 7th in the nation - The *Campus* yearbook became one of the first all-color yearbooks in the state - Dr. John Meighan became Superintendent of the district.

(331 graduates)
Builders finally finished renovations of the high school - Hurricane Ivan devastated the area in rains that flooded the state - Senior class chose *Free Bird* as their class song.

(325 graduates)
Seniors of this class represent the only graduates to have experienced both the old high school and the new one - High School implemented a new breakfast program - Upholding the longest Bands of America regional winning streak in the nation, the Marching Band remained undefeated in its class for the 20th year in a row.

(324 graduates)
Facebook gained momentum as a popular social networking site, but still trailed MySpace -

(321 seniors)
Girls' Soccer won section title - Bob Pompeani from KDKA presented senior Leah Ulizio with the *Extra Effort Award* - Students enjoyed James Bond theme at prom - Mr. Bill McClarnon joined high school as Principal after Mr. Anthony Nicholas retired - Upholding the longest Bands of America regional winning streak in the nation, the Marching Band remained undefeated in its class for the 21st year in a row.

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Mr. Jeffrey Soles joined the administrative team when Mr. Koter became the Intermediate School principal - Girls' golf sported an impressive 12-4 record.

(323 graduates)
Ellie Wyant and Miranda Bruno won a $10,000 Giant Eagle scholarship competition for research and marketing strategies - *A Classrooms for the Future* grant enabled the school to purchase laptop carts and interactive white boards for all major subject areas.

(304 graduates)
After two years of taking regular

Photo: 1973 *Campus*

*musical reemergence...*

After a two-year hiatus from spring musicals, the cast and crew of 1973 went western with Irving Berlin's *Annie Get Your Gun*. The story presented a fictionalized version of the life of Annie Oakley (1860–1926), a sharpshooter who starred in Buffalo Bill's Wild West, and her romance with sharpshooter Frank E. Butler (1847–1926).

In what year did they perform that?

1966 - *Bye Bye Birdie*
1967 - *Oklahoma*
1968 - *Guys and Dolls*
1969 - *Brigadoon*
1970 - *West Side Story*
1971 - No musical
1972 - No musical
1973 - *Annie Get Your Gun*
1974 - *Lil' Abner*
1975 - *Music Man*
1976 - *Fiddler on the Roof*
1977 - No musical
1978 - *Can Can*
1979 - *Gigi*
1980 - No musical
1981 - No musical
1982 - *Pippin*
1983 - No musical
1984 - *George M*

# everything MUSIC

No musicals from 1984 to 1997

1997 - *Bye Bye Birdie*
1998 - *The Music Man*
1999 - *Lil' Abner*
2000 - *South Pacific*
2001 - *Oklahoma*
2002 - *Barnum*
2003 - *Brigadoon*
2004 - *Hello, Dolly*
2005 - *Kiss Me Kate*
2006 - *Beauty and the Beast*
2007 - *Guys and Dolls*
2008 - *Wizard of Oz*
2009 - *Thoroughly Modern Millie*
2010 - *Peter Pan*
2011 - *Godspell*
2012 - *The Drowsy Chaperone*
2013 - *Annie*
2014 - *Tarzan*
2015 - *Addams Family*
2016 - *42nd Street*
**2017 - *The Little Mermaid***
2018 - *Joseph*
2019 - *Sound of Music*
2020 - *Legally Blonde*
2021 - *The Kiski CAVaret*
2022 - *Shrek*

## STRONG *commitment* TO THE ARTS

While most schools have begun to severely cut music programs, the Kiski Area School District has continued to support and encourage all students to either play an instrument or sing loudly. With perhaps the finest music program in the state, both choral and instrumental ensembles have left audiences in awe of their talents.

Beginning in elementary school, each student has the opportunity to experience and embrace music. As many studies report that participating in music activities directly correlates to finer grades, the Kiski district offers a diverse assortment of music ensembles, classes, and groups. From marching band to show choir, the power of music has affected everyone. It connected people and afforded each a forum for expression.

## ALL THOSE DISNEY SHOWS

*Beauty and the Beast*
Performing as Chip, Shane Carnahan (12) delivers his comical lines in the spring musical. He fondly recalled playing video games in the cart that featured the table.

*Peter Pan*
On the floor of the Darling family nursery, Sarah Rozewicz (12), as Peter Pan, fights back tears as Wendy, Kaylin Shetron (11), sews on his shadow.

*Tarzan*
Near the end of Act I, the cast locks in their final pose as Tarzan Joe Bruno (12) raises his spear. Not his favorite prop, Bruno constantly had to deal with the spear top falling off.

*The Little Mermaid*
In an attempt to teach her character Ariel positivity, Rebecca Minda (12) finds herself in a swarm of seagulls. The nautical show represented Mrs. Hampshire's last in directing.

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physical education classes, juniors and seniors enjoyed the ability to take specialized gym elective classes.

(316 graduates)
The first *Jam the Gym for Jaime* occurred as players, students, and fans showed their support for assistant coach Jaime Vick and her bout with leukemia.

(300 graduates)
Max Colecchi competed with the Pittsburgh Steelwheelers at a wheelchair rugby tournament at Slippery Rock University.

(311 graduates)
Bell-Avon Elementary closed.

The Kiski Area High School community celebrated 50 years of existence with a bonfire, 5K run, and an open house. Mr. Roland (prin) said, "The only thing better than 50 years of Kiski Area High School is 50 more."

(294 graduates)
Laurel Point Elementary closed. When state officials implemented the new ranking system for Pennsylvania schools (School Performance Profile), KAHS earned one of the highest scores in the state. The high school marching band had two different shows, one for competitions and one for the football halftime show.

(264 graduates)
Sophomore and Hyde Park native Mia Zanotti competed on the NBC show, *The Voice*.

(310 graduates)
The last year the senior research paper acted as a graduation requirement. The Upper Elementary School (on a completely renovated North Washington Elementary campus) opened, while Vandergrift Elementary, Mamont Elementary, and Allegheny-Hyde Park Elementary became East, South, and North Primary.

(303 graduates)
Major changes occurred with the implementation of the one-to-one Chromebook initiative, the switch to block scheduling, and the ability for freshmen to take courses at the Northern Westmoreland CTC.

(292 graduates)
*Lunch and learn*, the ultimate freedom for students to get help from their teachers as well as eat their lunch almost anywhere throughout the school started.

(292 graduates)
The move from Davis Field in Vandergrift to Dilts Field on the high school campus became a reality.

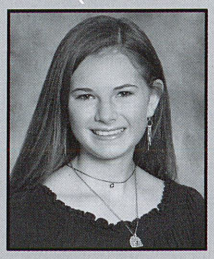
(256 graduates)
COVID-19 created an unprecedented situation as all the schools in the commonwealth went virtual to finish out the year after the shutdown at the end of the school day on March 13.

(264 graduates)
The school year opened with about 25% of the student body physically present while all students experienced virtual Wednesdays.

# LONGEST LINEAGE *winner*

The 2021-2022 *Campus* Yearbook staff wanted to celebrate the 60th year of Kiski Area High School. As part of this milestone, they looked to find which student had the longest Kiski Area lineage in their family. The student with the longest lineage received a free '22 *Campus* yearbook. The student needed to have a parent, grandparent, great-grandparent, or other ancestor that attended Kiski Area High School and/or, prior to the mergers, the high schools in Vandergrift, Washington Township, Avonmore, or Bell Township. Upon receiving answers from 12 students, the following had family histories worth mentioning.

Zoe Holm (Class of 2024)



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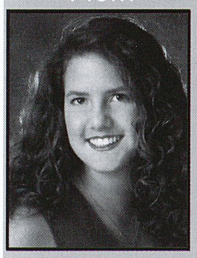
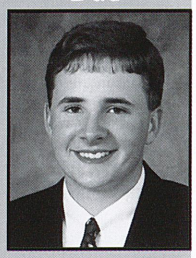


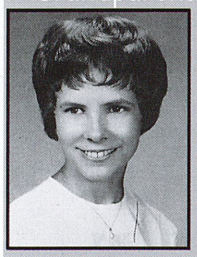
Melissa Jobe (1997)

Dad

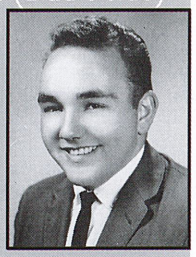


David Holm (1996)

Grandparents (Dad's side)



Gail Byers (1963)

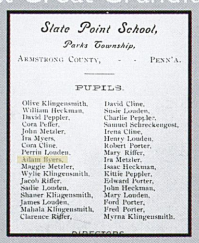


Arnold Holm (1963)

Great-Grandfather

Frantz Byers (1936) - Vandergrift HS

Great-Great-Grandfather



Slate Point School,
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PUPILS.

Olive Klingensmith, William Heckman, David Pepple, Cora Peffer, John Metzler, Ira Myers, Cora Clive, Perrin Louden, Adam Byers, Maggie Metzler, Wylie Klingensmith, Jacob Kiffer, Sadie Louden, Shaver Klingensmith, James Louden, Mahala Klingensmith, Clarence Riffer, David Cline, Susie Louden, Charlie Pepple, Samuel Schreckengost, Irena Cline, Henry Louden, Robert Porter, Mary Riffer, Ira Metzler, Isaac Heckman, Kittie Peppler, Edward Porter, John Heckman, Mary Louden, Ford Porter, Fred Porter, Myrna Klingensmith.

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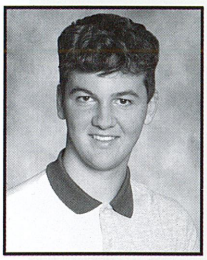
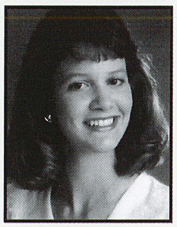
Adam S. Byers (1895) - Slate Point School/Parks Township

## HONORABLE MENTIONS

Zachary Jordan (Class of 2022)



*Mother*



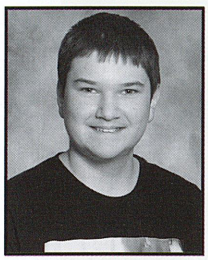
Christina Greece

Kiski Area High School

(1994)

Christina Greece - mother
KAHS (1994)
Robert Greece - grandfather
Washington Township (1966)
Hazel Tickle - great-grandmother
Bell Township (1936)

Tyler Patterson (Class of 2024)



*Great-grandmother*

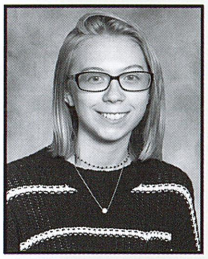
Bernice Magness

Vandergrift High School

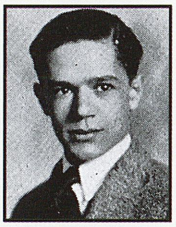
(1945)

Kelly Patterson (McDevitt) - mother
KAHS (1996)
Debbie McDevitt (Richardson) - grandmother
KAHS (1970)
Randy McDevitt - grandfather
KAHS Class of (1970)
Bernice Bittinger (Magness) - great-grandmother
Vandergrift HS (1945)
Leland Bittinger - great-grandfather
Washington Township HS (1947)
Charles McDevitt - great-grandfather
Vandergrift HS (1942)
Betty McDevitt (Sloan) - great-grandmother
Vandergrift HS (1942)

Chelsey Goheen (Class of 2022)



*Great-grandfather*



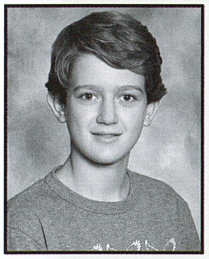
Nicholas DiMichele

Vandergrift High School

(1929)

Michele Loperfito - mom
Kiski Area HS (1985)
Richard Loperfito - grandfather
Vandergrift HS (1951)
Angie Loperfito - grandmother
Vandergrift HS (1955)
Nicholas DeMichele - great-grandfather
Vandergrift HS (1929)

Joey Galo (Class of 2024)



*Grandmother*

Pamela Watkins

Kiski Area High School

(1966)

Meredith (Dunmire) Galo - mother
KAHS (1996)
Michael Galo - father
KAHS (1993)
Joseph Galo - grandfather
KAHS (1967)
Pamela (Watkins) Galo - grandmother
KAHS (1966)

James Dunmire - grandfather
KAHS 1964
Penny (May) Dunmire - grandmother
KAHS 1966
Thomas May - great-grandfather
Bell Twp. High School (1943)
Audrey (Sloan) May - great-grandmother
Avonmore High School (1946)

Thomas Watkins - great-grandfather
Bell Twp. High School (1937)
Dorothy (George) Watkins - great-grandmother
Bell Twp. High School (Completed 9th Grade) (1940)
Dale Dunmire - great-grandfather
Avonmore School (1936)
Luby (Tandaric) Dunmire - great-grandmother
Bell Twp. School (1922-1932)
William Galo - great-grandfather
Bell Twp. High School (Completed 8th Grade) (1926)
Anna (Rossi) Galo - great-grandmother
Bell Twp. High School (Completed 9th Grade) (1932)
Lawrence Sloan - great-great-grandfather
Washington Twp. School (1911-1918)
Marjorie (Stover) Sloan - great-great-grandmother
Bell Twp. Schooln (1914-1922)
Catherine (Bollinger) Sloan - Step-great-great-grandmother
Avonmore School (1916-1926)

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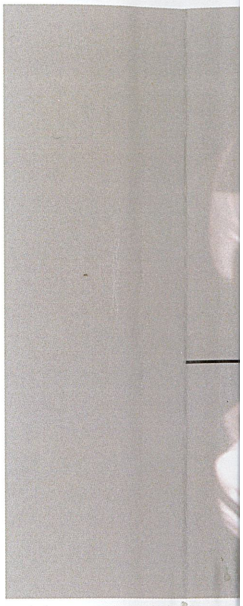

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The book employed a Smythe typing binding with 100# dull enamel paper for all pages inside. The *Campus* staff utilized Adobe InDesign and Photoshop from its CS6 suite to create the publication. On the cover, Walsworth printed the four-color design on colored white linen with embossing and debossing. The staff created different front and back four-color endsheets.

Which hole gave Brady Rametta (11) the most trouble at Willowbrook?

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## print. info

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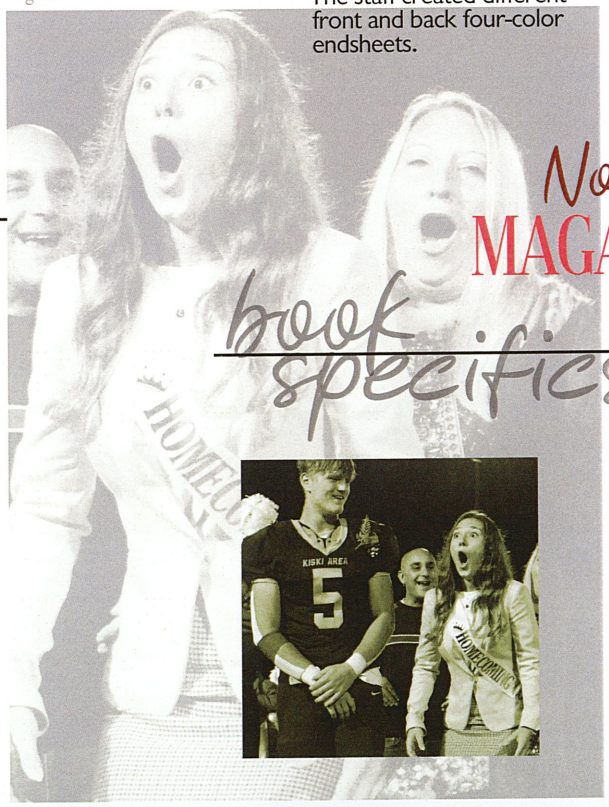

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What did she really think about winning the Crown?

On Freeport High School's campus, the cross country team takes off. What type of course did the boys enjoy most?

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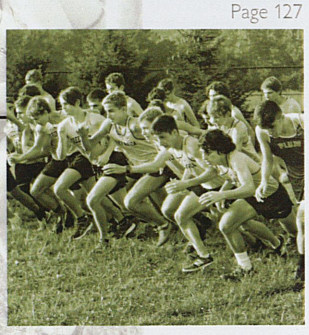

## photo details

Who performed a lyrical dance solo in downtown Pittsburgh?

Strawbridge Studios based in Durham, NC - (800) 326-9080, strawbridge.net - provided all senior and underclassmen pictures. Jay McKnight served as the local representative for Strawbridge. Sports teams used photographers of their choosing for their team pictures. The photography staff shot all candids using two school-owned Canon 60D cameras, two school-owned Canon 80D cameras, their cell phones, or their personal cameras.

## book pricing

**Initial Price:** $60 if ordered by August 31, $65 until January 7, $75 until May 9

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**Senior Tributes:** $60 for 1/8 page and $100 for 1/4 page, $185 for 1/2 page, and $350 for a full page

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Who energed from the cloth, and why did she come out from under it?

## acclaims & affiliations

Who played bass clarinet in Mr. Pachesky's first period Symphonic Band?

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The 2022 *Campus* Yearbook Staff belonged to various professional organizations that included PSPA, NSPA, and CSPA. The 2021 *Campus* earned a Gold ranking in CSPA and PSPA and made the Walsworth Gallery of Excellence. In NSPA, it earned an All-American ranking with five Marks of Distinction.

*Lacey Mamros* (2021 grad): CSPA Gold Circle Award (Best Academic Photo), Walsworth Contest Winner (Best Feature/Portrait), PSPA State Yearbook Photography Champion

*Larissa Dubac* (2021 grad): PSPA State Newspaper Photography Champion

*Carmine Mascarello* (2021 grad): PSPA State Yearbook Story Writing Champion

*Rachel Frye* (11): PSPA State Yearbook Sports Story Writing Champion

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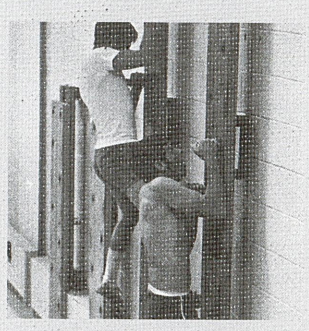

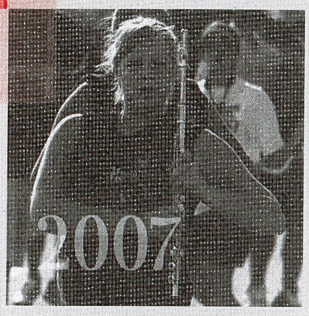

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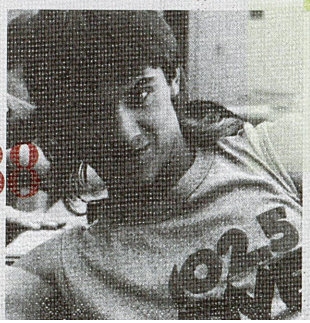

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